Citing an Article from eLibrary

ELibrary has a **CITATION GENERATOR**. However, it uses an out of date MLA format. Directions for using it and editing it are below the manual formatting directions.

* It may be easier to use EasyBib to create an eLibrary citation than to use the Citation Generator *

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**Manually Formatting an MLA citation for a ELibrary Article:**

**Note:** The format for magazine, newspaper and reference articles are slightly different. See examples below for details.

**Format for Magazine and Newspaper Articles:**


**Examples - Magazine Articles:**

*Note:* Use n. pag. if no page numbers are given


**Format for Articles from Reference Books**


*Note:* You do not need to include publishing information for well known sources (Britannica, World Book, etc.) but should include it if given for less well known sources (see example below).
Examples – Reference Article:  


**General Guidelines:** These include common editing that is needed in the Citation Generator

Author’s name is Last Name, First Name  
Capitalize all important words in the title, even if not capitalized in original  
Titles of articles/entries are in “quotation marks”  
Titles of original sources and the database (eLibrary) are in *italics*  
Periods are used to separate major sections in each entry  

( Author. “Article.” Original source. Publication info. Database. Web. Date of access.)  
All punctuation should be followed by one space  
Date format: Day Month (abbrev.) Year  (ex: 9 Jan. 2016)  
Abbreviate the names of all months except May, June and July  
Check full text screen to confirm that the date of the original publication is complete and follows the original source in the suggested citation  
Use n. pag. if original page number(s) are not supplied  
Double space and alphabetize citations

**Using the Citation Generator**

Click on the “Citation View link on the left of the article screen (or scroll to end of article.)
Click on “Edit” this citation.

Fill in any missing information from the following list:

Author.
Title of Article
Title of Original Source (Magazine or Newspaper or Book)
Date of Original Source
Page numbers (use n. pag. if no page numbers are given)

For articles from reference books, you will also need to include:

Publisher (if given)
City of Publisher (if given)

Click “Update Citation”
Highlight the MLA citation and copy and paste to your Works Cited list or to EasyBib. You will need to change the font and add a hanging indent.

Edit the citation to be sure it conforms to the MLA format.