**Exercise 1: MLA Documentation**

Create a works cited list (**with title**) using the following information. The list should be formatted and alphabetized correctly. Use resources you have been provided (OWL at Purdue is the best!) to get the spacing, indentation, capitalization, and punctuation correct. Determine what type of source the material is and create a works cited entry following that format.

1. An interview that you conducted with John Lafflin on March 12, 2017.
2. A journal article called The Lethal Femme Fatale in the Noir Tradition. The author is Jack Boozer, and the article appeared in the Journal of Film and Video, Volume 65 (Fall 2014), on pages 20-35.
3. An article you found today called Resistance and Its Price on the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum website. The URL is medium.com/@HolocaustMuseum/resistance-and-its-price. The author is Leah Wolfson. It was posted March 14, 2017.
4. Another website article at the Jewish Virtual Library, called Holocaust Resistance: Resistance Inside Germany. There is no author or date listed. You found the article yesterday at the web address <http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/resistance-inside-germany>.
5. A book you cited called *Into Thin Air*, by Jon Krakauer. It was published in 1997 by Villard Books, New York.

Type your works cited list here:

**Exercise 2: MLA Parenthetical Citations**

Below is a fact that I decide I am going to use in my paper. The original bibliographic information is listed after the quote. Below this on the page there are four examples of quotes and paraphrases using this source material. Read carefully since each example is formatted differently.

Directions:

* Type the word “correct” after the ones that are formatted correctly.
* For the examples that are incorrectly formatted, fix them.
* At the bottom of the page, correctly write out the works cited entry for this source in MLA style.

The material I want to use in my essay about steroids is the following point:

“Reported cases of steroid use by athletes skyrocketed last year by an incredible sixty percent.”

This quote comes from page 33 of an article entitled “Steroids in Sports.” The article was written by Frank DeFord, and it appeared in the August 17, 2004 issue of *Sports Illustrated* magazine, on pages 32-35.

1. Steroids continue to be a major problem. In fact, cases of steroid use by athletes rose steeply last year by an amazing sixty percent (DeFord 33).
2. Steroids continue to be a major problem. As sports journalist Frank DeFord has pointed out, “Reported cases of steroid use by athletes skyrocketed last year by an incredible sixty percent” (33).
3. Steroids continue to be a major problem. In fact, “Reported cases of steroid use by athletes skyrocketed last year by an incredible sixty percent.” (33)
4. Steroids continue to be a major problem, with reported cases of use by athletes rising sixty percent in the past year.

Works Cited

**Exercise 3: MLA Documentation**

Listed below are five sources for an imaginary essay on youth gang members and a quote or fact from each source that will be used in the essay. With this information:

1. Below the essay excerpt on the next page, type the works cited page for this essay correctly formatted in MLA style.
2. Then, look at the excerpt which quotes or refers to each of these five sources. Insert the correct parenthetical citation using MLA style for each.

Here are your sources:

**1) A book by Carlos Reyes called The Gang Life. It was published in New York by Basic Books in 1998.**

You are going to use the following quote from Reyes:

“The disturbing thing about gang culture is that it has moved beyond professional criminals and into the everyday lives of too many young people. There is an urgent need to educate youngsters about the dangers of associating with gangs.” The quote comes from page 266.

**2) A book by William Bratton called Bad Boys: Gangs in the Modern American City. It was published in New York by Regan Books in 2005.**

You are going to use the following quote from Bratton:

“I would estimate that at least 30% of urban teenagers, and maybe as many as 50%, are themselves involved or know someone who is involved in some way with a gang.” The quote comes from page 147.

**3) Robert Smith’s article entitled “The Sad Truth About Gangs” which originally appeared in the magazine Newsweek. The date of the magazine was August 24, 2004, and the article appeared on pages 24-29. You retrieved the article on April 10, 2019.**

You are going to use the following quote from Smith:

“Increasing numbers of teenagers are associating with gangs, and this fact poses a grave threat to the young generation in the U.S. today.”

**4) An article, with no author listed, called “The Growth of Gangs,” from the March 4, 2005 issue of Time magazine. The article was on pages 16-23. You didn’t need to use a database for this since you own the magazine.**

You are going to use the following quote from the article:

“Gangs have already caused serious damage in the inner city, and now their influence has spread to suburban areas across the United States.” The quote comes from page 16.

**5) A page entitled “Facts About Gang Members,” with no specific author listed, that you found on the *American Criminology Association* website. This page had a publication date of October 22, 2004. The address for the website is** [**www.aca.org**](http://www.aca.org)**. You accessed this page on April 11, 2019.**

You are going to use the following quote from this website:

“Gang membership has been linked to serious problems, including highly inflated imprisonment rates and life spans for gang members shortened to as little as half of the normal life expectancy.”

# Essay Excerpt

The recent congressional hearings over the spread of gang culture in the U.S. drew a great deal of attention, nationwide. While some felt the hearings painted an exaggerated picture of the influence of gangs on our young people, they did raise awareness of the fact that gangs are a serious concern in our society today. Former New York City Police Commissioner William Bratton recently suggested in his best-selling book, *Bad Boys*, that as many as 50% of today’s urban teenagers have some connection to gang culture, either directly, or indirectly through acquaintance with a gang member ( ). Although some might question Bratton’s estimate as too high, he is by no means the only one raising alarms about the spread of gangs. Even *Time* magazine has claimed, “Gangs have already caused serious damage in the inner city, and now their influence has spread to suburban areas across the United States” ( ). Even those not especially concerned about the suburbs should care about the larger social effects of the gang phenomenon. Researcher and leading expert on gangs Carlos Reyes has succinctly summarized the truly frightening side of the rise of gang culture: “The disturbing thing about gang culture is that it has moved beyond professional criminals and into the everyday lives of too many young people. There is an urgent need to educate youngsters about the dangers of associating with gangs” ( ). Now, more than ever, such education is vital, since the popularity of gang membership among young people “poses a grave threat to the young generation in the U.S. today” ( ). Aside from the behavioral problems such as violence, drug dealing, and intimidation that most people associate with gang activity, there are also potentially severe negative effects to the young gang member that many are unaware of; these potential negative effects, according to the American Criminology Association, include far higher rates of imprisonment and a dramatically shorter life span for gang members ( ). Clearly, it is time to take notice, as a society, of the dangers of gangs before they become even more integrated into our culture.

Works Cited