

Finding your way around the OWL

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The Purdue OWL is a fantastic site for all your research questions, but if you don't know how to use it, it's relatively useless. This worksheet will help you navigate around the site and discover the tools available to you.

First, follow these steps:

1. At the homepage of the OWL, go to the left of the page and click on "Research and Citation."
2. On the "Research and Citation," page go to the left side of the page and click on "MLA Style."
3. On the "MLA Style" page, select the "MLA Formatting and Style Guide" option.
4. Bookmark this page!!!!

Now, answer these questions:

1. On the "MLA Formatting and Style Guide" page, under the summary sections, list two of the contributors.
2. On this same page, what is the first element mentioned under the title "Formatting the First Page of Your Paper"?
3. List three additional formatting elements you need to consider for your paper.

Now, using the categories on the left of this page, discover the answers to the following questions:

4. What are the two basic rules for in-text citations?

5. Copy the first example they provide for in-text citations author-style page

Go to the “MLA Works Cited Electronic Sources” page.

6. The OWL reviews how to cite a number of electronic sources. The main one you will probably use is a website. Copy in exact order the information you should include in your citations:

7. Copy the example they provide of how you would cite the Purdue OWL website.

8. The OWL reviews how to cite a number of electronic sources. Other than a basic webpage, list five of those sources they review:

9. Go to the “MLA Sample Works Cited Page.” Who is the author of the third source cited?

10. Who is the author of the sixth source cited?

11. In what year was Uzawa, Hirofumi’s book published?

12. Go to the “MLA Sample Paper” page. Who is the author of the second source on the works cited page?

13. How many electronic sources and how many print sources did the author of this paper use?