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Gillespie, Paula and Neal Lerner. *The Allyn and Bacon Guide to Peer Tutoring*. Allyn, 2000.

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Example:

Atwood, Margaret. "Variation on Word Sleep." *America's Favorite Poems*. Edited by Robert Pinsky, W.W. Norton & Company, 1999. pp.12.

Periodicals

Article in Scholarly Journal

Author(s). "Title of Article." *Title of Journal*, Volume, Issue, Year, pages.

Example:

Bagchi, Alaknanda. "Conflicting Nationalisms: The Voice of the Subaltern in Mahasweta Devi's Bashai Tudu." *Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature*. vol. 15, no. 1, 1996, pp. 41-50.

Newspaper

Author(s). "Title of Article." *Title of Periodical*, Day Month Year, pages.

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Brubaker, Bill. "New Health Center Targets County's Uninsured Patients." *Washington Post*, 24 May 2007, p. LZ01.



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Poniewozik, James. "TV Makes a Too-Close Call." *Time*, 20 Nov. 2000, pp. 70-71.

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Felluga, Dino. *Guide to Literary and Critical Theory*. Purdue University, 28 Nov. 2003,
www.cla.purdue.edu/english/theory/. Accessed 10 May 2006.

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Example:

Langhamer, Claire. "Love and Courtship in Mid-Twentieth-Century England." *Historical Journal*,
vol. 50, no. 1, 2007, pp. 173-96. *ProQuest*, doi: 10.1017/S0018246X06005966. Accessed 27 May
2009.

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Number (vol. and/or no.), Publisher, date of publication, location, Date
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Dolby, Nadine. "Research in Youth Culture and Policy: Current Conditions and Future
Directions." *Social Work and Society: The International Online- Only Journal*, vol. 6, no. 2,
2008, www.socwork.net/sws/article/view/60/362. Accessed 20 May 2009.