

Citing Sources in Formal Writing: Chicago Style

In Your Text:

At the point of citation, insert either a footnote or an endnote using your word processor's "References > Footnote/Endnote" function.

Example 1: Books

[Text] Herodotus insists that "the Egyptians themselves in their manners and customs seem to have reversed the ordinary practices of mankind."¹

[Footnote]

¹ Herodotus, The Histories (London: Penguin Books, 2003), 109.

Example 2: Online Sources

[Text] It is clear that the Greeks themselves had more than one meaning for the word *demokratia*.¹

[Footnote]

¹ Paul Cartledge, "The Democratic Experiment," BBC Ancient History: The Greeks, http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/ancient/greeks/greekdemocracy_01.shtml (online), par. 2.

Example 3: Articles

[Text] Between 1860 and 1890, British parliamentary politics were "absolutely dominated" by two skilled prime ministers, Gladstone and Disraeli.²

[Footnote]

² Richard Lyons, "Late Victorian Politics, Liberals, and the Tories," Past and Present 2 no. 3 (Spring 1974): 123.

Example 4: Chapters in Books (separately authored)

[Text] Most historians would agree with the assessment of John Carter, who has made a careful analysis of the causes of the American Civil War.³

[Footnote] ² John Carter, “Whither the Causes of America’s War?” in America 1850-1870: Essays on a Troubled Time, ed. James Fenton and Mary Jeffries (New York: Macmillan Press, 2002), 108.

Bibliographic information:

At the end of the essay, you will then include the full bibliographic information of all books, articles, and websites used during the course of your research and writing. This includes both works cited in the essay as well as anything else you read but did not cite. These items should be listed in alphabetical order.

Example:

Bibliography

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