

Middletown Historical Society Research Paper Resources

Works Cited and In-Text Examples of the Most Commonly Used Resources

1. Personal Interview

Personal Interview Citation Structure for Works Cited page:

Last Name of Interviewee, First Name. Type of Interview (Personal Interview, Phone Interview, Skype Interview, etc.). Date.

Example:

Cloyd, Allison. Personal interview. 18 March 2023.

Personal Interview In-text citations

Interview within research paper Citation Structure:

(Interviewee Last Name)

Example:

(Cloyd)

2. Newspaper Article from a Database Citation Structure

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article: Subtitle if Any." *Name of Newspaper* [city of newspaper if local paper with city name not in name], Date of Publication, p. (Page Number if given). *Name of Database*.

Note: If the author's name is not listed, begin the citation with the title of the article.

Example:

"Local Happenings." *The Middletown Transcript*, 30 Dec 2022, p.1. *Library of Congress*.

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Newspaper Article from a Database within Research Paper Citation Structure:

("Title of article")

Example:

("Local Happenings")

3. Photograph**A Photograph supplied by the interviewee Citation Structure:**

Creator of the photograph, Last name first, first name. Title or description of the photograph, Date created (if known), personal collection of First name, Last Name.

Example:

Smith, John. Harvesting Wheat, 5 July 1955. Personal collection of Mary Smith.

Photograph within Research Paper Citation Structure:

(Photograph creator's last name, or if not known, the title or description of the photograph, which may be shortened)

Example:

(Smith)

4. Book**Book Citation Structure:**

Author's Last Name, First Name Middle Name or Initial. Title. Publisher, Year.

Example:

Marks, Carol A. A History of African Americans of Delaware & Maryland's Eastern Shore. U of Delaware P, 1997.

Book within Research Paper Citation Structure:

(Author's last name, page number)

Example:

(Marks 80)

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5. Web Site:

Web Page Structure:

Author's Last Name, Middle Name or Initial. "Title of the page". *Name of the website*, the publication date, and the URL (without "https://").

Example:

Hoadley, Tricia. "Dr. John Green". *Middletown Life*, 31 December 2020, middletownlifemagazine.com.

Web Site within Research Paper Citation Structure:

(Author's last name)

Example:

(Hoadley)

Many students find a citation builder like the following useful:

<https://www.lib.ncsu.edu/citationbuilder/#/book/modern-language-association-8>

Online Resources:

The following are online resources that may be of help in your research:

Ancestry.com (Free availability onsite at New Castle County Libraries)

The Middletown Transcript (available up until 1992 at the Middletown Historical Society)

Newspapers.com (It is available onsite at the University of Delaware Morris Library. The library is free to the general public. Personal ID is required for entrance.)

Technical Recommendations:

As part of the oral history interview process you will need to record the interview. There are number of different recording apps available. We recommend either Rev.com or Voice Recorder. If you are meeting via Zoom there is a recording option. iPhones already have a recording app installed. Apple computers have "Dictation" already installed to create a transcription of the interview.

Remember to send a thank you note to your interviewee.

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