How to List Sources - MLA Style

Please NOTE the format & example for each type of reference

Basic Rules
1. Begin your Works Cited page on a separate page at the end of your research paper. It should have the same one-inch margins and last name, page number header as the rest of your paper.
2. Label the page Works Cited (do not italicize or bold the words Works Cited or put them in quotation marks) and center the words Works Cited at the top of the page.
3. Double space all citations, but do not skip spaces between entries.
4. Indent (tab once) the second and subsequent lines of citations five spaces so that you create a hanging indent.
   **If you have troubles tabbing the second line over, put the cursor at the front of the time, hit enter, then tab.**
5. List page numbers of sources efficiently, when needed. If you refer to a journal article that appeared on pages 225 through 250, list the page numbers on your Works Cited page as 225-50.
6. Remember to use n.p. if no publisher name is available and n.d. if no publishing date is given.

Listing Author Names
- Entries are listed alphabetically by the author's last name (or, for entire edited collections, editor names). Author names are written last name first; middle names or middle initials follow the author’s first name:
  Burke, Kenneth
  Levy, David M.
  Wallace, David Foster
- Do not list titles (Dr., Sir, Saint, etc.) or degrees (PhD, MA, DDS, etc.) with names. A book listing an author named "John Bigbrain, PhD" appears simply as "Bigbrain, John"; do, however, include suffixes like "Jr." or "II." Putting it all together, a work by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. would be cited as "King, Martin Luther, Jr.," with the suffix following the first or middle name and a comma.

Book:
Format: Lastname, Firstname. Title of Book. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. Medium of Publication.
Example:

Book with More Than One Author:
*The first given name appears in last name, first name format; subsequent author names appear in first name last name format.
Format: Lastname, Firstname and Firstname Lastname. Title of Book. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. Medium of Publication.
Example:
Book with More Than One Author cont.:
**If there are more than three authors, you may choose to list only the first author followed by the phrase et al. (Latin for "and others") in place of the subsequent authors’ names, or you may list all the authors in the order in which their names appear on the title page. (Note that there is a period after “al” in “et al.”) Also note that there is never a period after the “et” in “et al.”).

Example:

Work with No Author:
Alphabetize works with no known author by their title; use a shortened version of the title in the parenthetical citations in your paper. In this case, Boring Postcards USA has no known author:

Boring Postcards USA. (Title in italics) (then you would cite the remainder of its information)

Webpage:
Format: Author(s). Name of Article. Sponsoring Organization, Date of Posting/Revision (Day Month Year). Medium of Source. Date of Access. <electronic address>.
Example:

Article in a Periodical: (newspaper or magazine)
Example:

Article from a Reference Book:
Example:

Article from an Online Encyclopedia/Database:
Example:

Interview YOU conducted:
Format: Interviewee. Personal interview. Day Month Year (interview conducted).
Example: