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Author

Kirsner, Laurie G. and Stephen R. Mandell. *Patterns for College Writing: A Rhetorical Reader and Guide.* Brief ed., Bedford St. Martin’s, 2015.

Publication Date

Publisher

Version

**Chapter/Section of a Book:**

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Author

Manjoo, Farhad. “I Don’t Want to Pet Your Dog.” *Patterns for College Writing: A Rhetorical Reader and Guide.* Brief ed., Bedford St. Martin’s, 2015, pp 190-193.

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Carino, Peter. “Review: The Idea of a Writing Laboratory.” *The Writing Lab Newsletter,* vol. 30, no. 2, Fall 2010, pp. 124-127.

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**Journal Article on Database:**

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Carino, Peter. "Review: The Idea of a Writing Laboratory." *The Writing Lab Newsletter*, vol. 30, no. 2, Fall 2010, pp. 124-127. *Academic OneFile*, db11.linccweb.org/login?url=http://go.galegroup.com.db11.linccweb.org/ps/i.do?p=AONE&sw=w&u=lincclin\_hcc&v=2.1&it=r&id=GALE%7CA356453273&asid=a30623a3df88682acd4c27bb4fd44063**.**

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Author

Russell, Tony, and et al. “MLA Formatting and Style Guide.” *The Purdue Owl.* Purdue U Writing Lab, 27 January 2017, owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/09/.

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