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Author, A.A. *Title of Book*, Edition Number; Series Information (if any); Publisher: Place of Publication, year.

Example:


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Author, A.A. Title of Chapter. In *Title of Book*, Edition Number; Editor, Ed.; Series Information (if any); Publisher: Place of Publication, year; volume, first-last [page].

Example:


**Journal article**

Author, A. A.; Author B. B. Title of Article. *Journal Abbreviation* *Year*, *volume*, first-last [page].

Example:


**Journal article from an electronic database**

Author A. A. Title of Article. *Journal Abbreviation* [Online] *Year*, *volume*, first-last [page] or other identifying information.

Example:


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Journal article from an online journal
Author A. A. Title of Article. Journal Abbreviation [Online] Year, volume, first-last [page] or other identifying information.

Example:
http://www.rsc.org/is/journals/current/PhysChemComm/pccpub.htm

Entire Web site
Author (if any). Title of Site. URL (accessed Mo year), other identifying information.

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