MLA Citation: Exercise #1

Using your MLA Citation handout, choose the correct answer for each of the following questions:

1. You need to cite a book that you read. The author is William K. Klingaman and the title is Abraham Lincoln and the Road to Emancipation. The book was published in 2001 by Viking Press in New York. The correct way to cite this book on your Works Cited page is:


2. You want to include in your Works Cited an article or a book written by two people. The correct way to include both their names in the citation (according to MLA style) is (See MLA Examples: Book with two Authors):

- a. Becker, Mark B., and Susan J. Rozek
- b. Becker, M. B., and S. J. Rozek
- c. Becker, Mark B., and Rozek, Susan J.

3. You have an article with one author from a journal that you want to include in your Works Cited. Here is information about the journal (See MLA Examples: Journal).

journal title: Issues in Law and Medicine
volume and issue: volume 46, issue 4
page numbers: 125-136.
Year: 2001

How would you write just the journal part of your citation in MLA style? This is the information you would put after the author and article title?


Exercise taken from: http://www.library.arizona.edu/help/tutorials/citation/mla/
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4. You found several articles that you used for your paper that were full-text from the library’s databases. The one below was from the database Academic Search Premier:


The proper way to cite this article in your Works Cited in MLA style is (see MLA Examples Online Journal):


5. You used information for a research paper from a website that is part of the Web4Health Web site that you viewed on Sept. 15, 2003. The page you want to use is written by Gunborg Palme called: How Media Affect Body Image of Women. It was most recently updated on August 9, 2003 and the URL is http://web4health.info/en/answers/ed-causes-culture-example.htm. What is the correct way to cite this Web site? (See MLA Examples: Web Site.)


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6. You are writing a paper on the ethics of downloading music from the Internet. One article you used in your research comes from the Wall Street Journal. The article is titled “Will the Music Industry Sue Your Kid?” It appeared in the September 10, 2003 issue on page 1D and was written by Carl Bialik. You want your teacher to know that you are using ideas from this article or paraphrasing, but you are not quoting directly. (See MLA Examples: In-text citation.)

What is the correct way to make a parenthetical reference when you are quoting or paraphrasing another author’s work?

☐ a. Since the music industry has begun to sue young people who are helping download huge amounts of music from the Internet, some parents fear that they will have to pay large sums of money to protect themselves. Parents do not have to worry about being sued if they are unaware what their kids are doing. (Bialik 2003)

☐ b. Since the music industry has begun to sue young people who are helping download huge amounts of music from the Internet, some parents fear that they will have to pay large sums of money to protect themselves. Parents do not have to worry about being sued if they are unaware what their kids are doing. (Bialik 1D)

☐ c. Since the music industry has begun to sue young people who are helping download huge amounts of music from the Internet, some parents fear that they will have to pay large sums of money to protect themselves. Parents do not have to worry about being sued if they are unaware what their kids are doing. (Bialik 2003 1D)