How to Cite Sources

When you **quote, summarize, or paraphrase** information from a source, you must cite your source to give credit to the person or people who wrote the piece. If you do not cite your sources, it is considered to be **plagiarism (**taking the work or idea of someone else and passing it off as one's own; the act of copying from someone)

Pre-work questions:

Have you ever written a works cited or a reference page at the end of a paper before?

Why is it important to have a reference (works cited) page where you list all of the websites and books you used to find your information?

Where can you find information for your works cited page (where in the book or on a website will the information be)?

Part 1: Information in a BOOK

FORMAT:

Author's Last Name, First Name. Title of the Book. Publishing Company, Year.

EXAMPLE:

Rowling, J.K. Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire. New York: Scholastic, 2002.

Cite your source:

Step 1: Author Name

Step 2: Title of the Book

Step 3: Publishing Company

Step 4: Year the Book was Published

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(Last Name, First Name)   **Title of Book**   **Publishing Company**

      _____.

         Year.

Part 2: Information on a WEBSITE

FORMAT:

Author's Last Name, First Name. "Title of Page." Title of Web Site. Date YOU accessed
     it. <URL>

EXAMPLES:

"Thallium." Chemicool Periodic Table. Chemicool.com. 11 Feb. 2012. Web. 5/5/2012
      <http://www.chemicool.com/elements/thallium.html>.

"Hydrogen." Chemicool Periodic Table. Chemicool.com. 03 Mar. 2012. Web. 5/5/2012
      <http://www.chemicool.com/elements/hydrogen.html>

Cite your source:

Step 1: Author Name

Step 2: Title of Webpage

Step 3:Title of Website

Step 4: Date you accessed the website

Step 5: URL (web address)

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(Last Name, First Name)   **"Title of Page"**   **Title of Web Site**

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Date you accessed it   **<URL>**