

Using social media in research assignments is a great way to diversify your sources (just make sure the information is authoritative and credible!).

This guide outlines how to cite major types of social media, including blog posts, tweets, YouTube videos and emails, in MLA 7.

	MLA Formatting	Example
Blog Post	Lastname, Firstname. "Title of Blog Post." <i>Blog Title</i> . Publisher. Date posted. Web. Date accessed.	Silver, Nate. "Modeling the Senate's Vote on Gun Control." <i>FiveThirtyEight</i> . The New York Times. 18 Apr. 2013. Web. 21 April 2013.
YouTube Video	Author name/poster's username. "Title of Video." Online video clip. <i>Name of Website</i> . Name of Website's publisher, date posted. Web. Date accessed.	TelegraphTV. "Unseen Footage of Japan Tsunami Released." Online video clip. <i>YouTube</i> . YouTube, 28 Apr. 2011. Web. 19 Feb. 2013.
Tweet	Lastname, Firstname (Username). "Place Tweet text between quotes." Date posted, time posted. Tweet.	West, Kanye (kanyewest). "I hate when I'm on a flight and I wake up with a water bottle next to me like oh great now I gotta be responsible for this water bottle." 26 Aug. 2010, 12:53 AM. Tweet.
Email	Lastname, Firstname. "Subject of email." Message to recipient's name. Date of message. Email.*	Timberlake, Justin. "My next SNL Performance." Message to Jimmy Fallon. 20 Mar. 2013. Email.

*"Lastname, Firstname" refers to the person who *wrote* the email. If you were the recipient of the email, write 'Message to the author.'

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