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**Book**

**General Format (one author)**
Author’s last name, Author’s first initial. (date published). *Title of book: Subtitle with only the first letter capitalized*. Place of publication: Publisher.

**Works Cited Example (one author)**

**In-Text Citation Examples**
1. Huck believes that “Col. Grangerford was a gentleman all over” (Twain, 1986).
2. According to Twain (1986), “there were things which he stretched, but mainly he told the truth.”

**Article from an Online Database**

**General Format (one author)**
Author’s last name, Author’s first initial. (date published). *Title of article. Title of Journal, Volumenumber (Issue).* Retrieved from enterURLhere.

**Works Cited Example (one author)**

**In-text Citation Examples**
1. Some critics argue that Twain was unable to distance himself from the indoctrination he received as a child (Valkeakar, 2006).
2. According to Valkeakar (2006), “the 1880s saw the collapse of civil rights for blacks as well as the publication of *Huckleberry Finn*.”

**Webpage**

**General Format**
Author’s last name, Author’s first initial. (date published). *Title of webpage. Retrieved from enterURLhere.*

**Works Cited Example (one author)**

**In-Text Citation Examples**
1. Allen Gribben argues that his version is “not an attempt to neuter the classic” (Staskiewicz, 2011).
2. Staskiewicz (2011) claims that “Twain’s book has been one of the most misunderstood novels of all time.”

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