

Style Sheet

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Title of Article

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Second level heading. Text starts here ...

References

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Article in journal:

Smith, Robert, James Knight, and Mary Martin. 2013. The newest word: A historical study. *Lexical Studies* 23: 1-19.

Book:

Andrews, Ellen. 2009. *The Work of the Dictionary*. NY: Lexo Press.

Edited collection:

Vincent, Charlotte P., ed. 2044. *Words and Sounds: A Festschrift for A. A. Mitchell*. Cambridge, MA: University of the Northeast Press.

Article or chapter in collection:

Mervin, William, and Jane Johnson. 2005. A matter of minutes. In *The Dictionary as Wikipedia*, Vol. 1, edited by Martin Mulhern, 225-31. Philadelphia: Colonial Press.

Dictionary:

Vanguard Dictionary of Vehicle Terms. 2003. 11th edition. Francis Moto et al. Los Angeles: Autokineton Press.

Doctoral, MPhil, or Master's/Bachelor's/Honors Thesis:

Davis, Miriam. 2007. *The Phonetics of Neology*, unpub. doctoral diss., Department of Linguistics, Windswept University, Helena, Montana.

Conference paper:

Splitter, Harry. 2005. Semi-colon or slash? Paper presented at the Fifth Annual Conference on Lexicographical Punctuation, University of the City, London.

Paper from the Web:

Loud, John. 2006. What I think. <http://www.uls.com/paper/~lexicog.htm> (accessed June 26, 2006).

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Special styles: *italics* for mentions and word or phrase citations (e.g., The slip for *relative* appears to be in Paine's handwriting, that for *gleed* in a different hand.) and emphasis (e.g., not *this* dog, but *that* one); **bold** for headwords/entries (**zydeco**, n ...); double quotes for direct quotation and shudder (irony) (e.g., Smith said, "Blahdey blahdey blah ..." He was a "lexicographer"!); single quotes for glosses and other citations of meaning (e.g., Spanish *gato* 'cat'), as well as for quotes within double quoted text. Do not use underline or set special styles, headers, footers, tabs, etc.; if special characters are required, such as phonetic symbols not available in Word or from the Web, indicate them clearly in the text.

Abbreviations: Shorthand reference to works with longer titles should appear in parentheses after the first usage and appear in italics: *Oxford English Dictionary (OED)*; abbreviated ordinals should *not* be superscript: 21st, 3rd; degrees and countries do not have periods: PhD, MA, UK; decades take a simple plural (no apostrophe): 90s, 1990s.

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