

**Composition II: American 20<sup>th</sup> Century Literature**  
*Guided Library Exercise*

1. **The Library Catalog** lists books, media and periodical titles owned by Sojourner Truth Library. Search for books about your topic using the following search strategy:
  - In the Basic Search Screen, using a “words anywhere” search,  
Type: “*Eliot and criticism*” OR your own search terms

Explore the results of your searches and select one book that interests you.

Write the **author, title, place of publication, publisher, publication date, and the library location and call number** for the book you chose:

EXAMPLE of a citation from a book:

First or single author's name is written last name, first name. The basic form for a book citation is:  
Lastname, Firstname. Title of Book. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication.

**Book with One Author**

Gleick, James. Chaos: Making a New Science. New York: Penguin Books, 1987.

Henley, Patricia. The Hummingbird House. Denver: MacMurray, 1999.

Your citation here:

2. **MLA (Modern Language Association) International Bibliography** indexes approximately journal articles, books and dissertations related to language and literature, from the 1920's – present. Search MLA to find *journal articles* that address the subjects listed below or on your own topic.

Choose a **journal article** from the list results, and record the bibliographic citation (author, article title, journal title, volume, issue, date, and page numbers). Write the search terms that you used.

Suggested Search Terms: e.g., *Jake Barnes*

Citation:

Your Search Terms:

Citation EXAMPLE for a journal article retrieved from a database:

Christian, David. "Silk Roads or Steppe Roads? The Silk Roads in World History." Journal of World History 11.1 (2000): 1-26. Project Muse. 19 Aug. 2002 <<http://muse.jhu.edu/muse.html>>

3. Select one article from the citations that you recorded. Try to access the article electronically and also determine if the library owns it in print. To access the article electronically, try using the FIND IT AT NEW PALTZ/FIND FULL TEXT search button. This button will open a window in which a link will be provided to the full-text (if available via SFX technology). If the full text is not available via SFX, click the “go” button next to Serials Solutions. To determine if the library owns a print subscription to the journal, search the Library Catalog using a “Title begins with” search. Which way(s) is the article available? Please select one:

- Full-text using Find it New Paltz
- Full-text within the database (pdf or HTML file)
- In print in the library
- Available only by Interlibrary loan (Illiad)

4. **JSTOR** is a great resource for scholarly articles in full text. Use the “advanced search” option and eliminate book reviews (check the box next to “articles.”) and type in the terms “*Eliot and cocktail party*” OR your own search terms. Change the “*full text*” field to “*article title.*”

What article did you select? Record your citation:

5. **Webfeat** is a tool that allows you to cross search the library catalog and databases within a single search. Click the WebFeat tab at the top of the library web page, then click on “Go to WebFeat Advanced Search.

Once in Webfeat, select the History and Language & Literature categories of databases. Type: *Willie Stark* and *Huey Long* and click “**GO.**”

Scroll through the pages of results and choose one item. Notice if the citation you selected is from a **book** or a **journal** and write the appropriate bibliographic citation below: