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- Literature—Terminology
- Literature, Ancient
- Literature, Comparative
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Style Manual

MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, 7th ed.
RESERVE 808.027 M685 2009

MLA Formatting and Style Guide – The OWL at Purdue
<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/557/01/>

Handbooks

A Handbook to Literature, 6th ed. (Holman & Harmon)
REF 803 H747h 1992

Concise definitions of a wide range of English literary terminology, including concepts, genres, movements, periods, etc.

The C.S. Lewis Handbook
REF 828 D962c 1990

A comprehensive guide to the life, thoughts, and writings of C.S. Lewis.

The Oxford Illustrated Literary Guide to Great Britain and Ireland, 2nd ed. (1992)
REF 820.9 E11o 1981

A Reference Guide to Modern Fantasy for Children
REF 823.0876 R332 1984

The dictionary format of this guide with entries on authors, books, characters, places, and magical objects makes it relatively easy to find that elusive person, place, or thing.

Dictionaries & Encyclopedias

Cambridge Paperback Guide to Literature in English
REF 820.9 O94c 1996

A Concordance to Milton's English Poetry
REF 821.02 I54c

Cyclopedia of Literary Characters, rev. ed., 5 vols.
REF 809.927 S677c 1998

A Dictionary of Biblical Tradition in English Literature
REF 820.9382 D554 1992

A Dictionary of Classical Reference in English Poetry
REF 821 S646d

A dictionary of classical characters, places, and ideas. This work also identifies English poets' use of classical characters, places, and ideas and cites the works in which these references appear.

Dictionary of Literary Themes and Motifs, 2 vols.
REF 809 D554s

Encyclopedia of World Literature in the 20th Century, 3 vols.
REF 803 E56

MerriamWebster's Encyclopedia of Literature [electronic]
ELECTRONIC ACCESS through GaleNet Literature Resource Center
<http://library.hiu.edu/resources.html>
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Shakespeare Lexicon, 3rd ed.
REF 822.33 S349s
A complete dictionary of all the English words, phrases and constructions in the works of Shakespeare.

Biography

Contemporary Authors [electronic]
Dictionary of Literary Biography [electronic]
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History & Criticism

Contemporary Literary Criticism Select [electronic]
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The Critical Temper, 3 vols.
REF 820.9 C934
A survey of criticism on English and American literature from the Beginning to the Twentieth Century. Volume 1: from Old English to Shakespeare. Volume 2: from Milton to Romantic Literature. Volume 3: Victorian Literature and American Literature.

A Library of Literary Criticism: Modern American Literature, 4th enlarged ed., 3 vols.
REF 809.9 L697

A Library of Literary Criticism: Modern British Literature, 3 vols.
REF 809.9 L697

Literary History of the United States, 4th ed. rev., 2 vols.
REF 810.9 L776

Moulton's Library of Literary Criticism of English and American Authors, 4 vols.
REF 820.9 M9271
A survey of criticism on English and American literature from the Beginning to the Twentieth Century. Volume 1: the Beginning to the 17th Century. Volume 2: NeoClassicism to the Romantic Period. Volume 3: the Romantic Period to the Victorian Age. Volume 4: the MidNineteenth Century to Edwardianism.

Twentieth Century Interpretations
809 T971
A collection of critical essays on twentieth century literature.

Twentieth Century Views

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A collection of criticism and interpretation.

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Special Indexes

C.S. Lewis Index

REF 823.912 G612c 1995

An index to quotations and ideas from the works of C.S. Lewis.

The Columbia Granger's Index to Poetry, 11th ed.

REF 808.81 G756g

Includes title, firstline and lastline indexing.

Periodical Indexes and Abstracts

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