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Sandburg, Carl. *Abraham Lincoln: The Prairie Years*. 2 vols. New York: Harcourt and Brace, 1926. Print.

A Work in an anthology

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Spear, Karen. "Building Cognitive Skills in Basic Writers." *Teaching English in College* 9 (1983): 91-98. Print.

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"Madonna." *The International Who's Who 2013*. 76th ed. 2013. Print.

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Vladiv-Glover, Slobodanka. "The Poetics of Pastiche in Eco's Postmodern Detective Novel." *European Legacy* 13.1 (2008): 59-81. *Academic Search Complete*. Web. 25 October 2013.

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Frye has argued this point before (178-85). [if name appears as part of narrative]
This point has been argued before (Frye 178-85).

One work by two or more authors

Others, like Wellek and Warren (310-315), hold an opposite point of view.
Others hold an opposite point of view (e.g., Wellek and Warren 310-315).

Corporate authors

In 1963, the prediction was...(United Nations, Economic Commission for Africa, 79-86).
The Commission on the Humanities has concluded that... (69).

Works or websites with no author or with an anonymous author

According to the Handbook of Korea, much Korean sculpture... (241-47).
Later the characters are confronted by tragedy ("Joy Ride").

Two or more works within same parentheses

(Frye 42; Bree 101-33)
(National Committee 25-35; Potter et al., vol. 1)

Part of an article or single-volume book

Kenneth Clark has raised some interesting questions (1-5, 12-13).
A 1983 report has found a decline... (Hook 10).

Part of a multivolume work

Parties underwent profound changes between 1945-72 (Schlesinger, vol. 4)
Daiches is useful on the Restoration (2:538-89)

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