

MLA Style

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- Name of author, name of teacher, title of course, and date of paper on the first page of the paper
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