

MLA Format: Titles of Texts

In general, shorter works are placed in quotation marks while longer works are italicized.
Here is a guide to common types of texts:

Titles in Quotation Marks		Titles in Italics	
Chapters:	“A New Life”	Books:	<i>Breaking Through</i>
Articles:	“The Future of Clean Energy”	News Sources:	<i>The Washington Post</i>
Page on a Website:	“Human Rights” on the <i>United Nations</i> website.	Websites:	<i>Google</i> or <i>YouTube</i>
Songs:	“Dreams” by Fleetwood Mac	Albums:	<i>1989 (Taylor’s Version)</i>
Poems:	“Harlem” by Langston Hughes	Plays:	<i>Twelfth Night</i> or <i>Hamlet</i>
TV Episodes:	“The One with the Monkey”	TV Shows/ Films:	<i>Friends</i> or <i>Finding Nemo</i>
Short Stories:	“Girl” by Jamaica Kincaid	Works of Art:	<i>The Starry Night</i>

Note: Titles should be written in **Title Case (standard capitalization)** and not in all capital letters. Also, unless they are at the beginning of the title, articles (such as “of”, “the”, “and”, etc.) should not be capitalized.