When you write a paper in MLA format, remember to do the following:

- Select a readable font (Times New Roman, Calibri) in an appropriate size (12 pt.).
- Set one-inch margins on each side of the text (excluding the page header, which is discussed below).
- Double-space your paper.
- Use only one space after each period.

**No title page is required for a paper written in MLA format.** (Note: If your instructor requires a title page, format it according to the instructions you’re given.)

The first page of a paper written in MLA format includes the following components:

- **Page header in the upper right-hand corner**
  Half an inch from the top of the page and flush with the right margin, type your last name, a space, and then insert the page number.

- **Name and course information in left corner**
  One inch from the top of the page and flush with the left margin, type each of the following pieces of information on separate, double-spaced lines:
  - Your first and last name
  - Your professor’s name
  - Your class’s name and number (e.g., ENGL 111)
  - Date of submission as DAY MONTH YEAR (remembering that all months get abbreviated in MLA except May, June, and July)

- **Title of paper**
  On a new, double-spaced line, center your title even if it is longer than one line. Do not apply any styles to the title; italicize only the parts you would italicize in the text.

- **Text of paper**
  Indent each new paragraph half an inch and double-space throughout.

**Example**

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Double-space and begin the body of your paper here. Indent each paragraph one half of an inch. Be aware that Microsoft Word for Office 2007 automatically adds an extra space between paragraphs, so you should be sure to change that default.
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