Instructions for Facilitating the “MLA Style Workshop with Citation Relay” Game & Activity
Modular Information Literacy Instruction (MILI) – Module #3

Before the Session

- Print out 3-4 copies of each article in the “Answer Key for Citation Relay” document (permalink links are on pg. 2 of this PDF). These are the sources that the groups will cite in the Citation Relay game.
- Make sure you have a copy of the “Answer Key for Citation Relay” document (pg. 2) handy for the activity so you can check the groups’ citations.
- Print out enough copies of the “MLA 8 Reference Guide” handout for all the students in the class to receive one.
- Make sure that you have at least 3 dry erase markers and wet wipes (you can borrow Claire’s – just ask 😊) for the boards in the classroom.
- Ask Claire for prizes for the workshop – she has plenty of them!
- Make sure that there are at least two dry erase boards in the classroom. You may need to gather an extra from the Mezzanine study areas.
- Review the presentation to familiarize yourself with the game rules.

During the Session

- Show the presentation.
- When it’s time for the game, divide the class up into either 2 or 3 groups (make this determination based on the number of students in the class and how many dry erase boards you were able to secure for the class).
- Explain the rules of the game clearly to the students. Essentially, they are as follows:
  - This game is a race! The first group to correctly cite both sources in MLA format wins prizes.
  - Groups can use the handout provided or any online resource (such as the Purdue OWL) to help them correctly cite the sources.
  - It is up to each group on how to divide up the work of citing the two sources.
  - When the facilitator says START, one person from each team and come up to the front and grab the two sources for their team.
- Walk around and check each groups’ citations as they complete them.
Answer Key for Citation Relay Activity


Optional Source to Use

next word,
better word
the craft of writing poetry
stephen dobyns