Mla Citation - Pdf - Web Document

Hi this is Pam I'm teaching internet research skills and. I wanted to talk about how to cite PDFs in this case we're going to look at PDFs that are just part of your normal search results. these aren't magazine or journal articles these are just web documents. just to clarify PDF is a Portable Document file and there it's just another file format like a Word document and. you often see them in your search results. in this case. I have done a search for books and I've added file type PDF to my search. that.

I will only pull up PDFs to make this a little easier and then to do this I'm going to use noodle tools. noodle tools is a website and the address is actually WWL tools com and it has a variety of features and actually. I want to get into noodlebib to do that and. I have an account set up and. once.

I have that all set up it's fairly easy to add citations to this and noodlebib is going to walk me through this which is really important because websites can be really hard to figure out how to cite and certainly pdfs online or actually can be even more challenging it's one of the hardest things to figure out in terms of citation. let's go back to our search and let's just take a look at this for example. environmental impacts of e-books and. I'm going to click the little arrow over here and it's going to give me a little preread [stanford mba essays](#) here it is and. this looks interesting and. if. I wanted to download it. I would click on the link right there. I actually have already downloaded this and.

I want to figure out how to cite this. this isn't a magazine or journal article it's just a web document. let's go into noodletools and then. I have this cite a and. I have to select a citation type this case I'm going to actually do website and then create citation and then here is the general format of the citation. I have to find these um parts of the citation from the website. let's take a look at what we have. for let's see if we have author's in this case. I don't really see authors.

I'm going to skip that and then specific page or article title. that is the environmental impact of e-books and this is why. I like noodlebib. much it tells me capitalize the first letter of important words in the title it's helping me figure out how to format my citation now we get to name of website. I don't see this here on the document. I have to go back to the original search that. I did and what I'm going to do is I'm going to grab the URL here and I'm going to copy it and then I'm going to paste it up into my browser I'm not actually going to download it.

I want to keep the URL up here and then I'm going to start at the end of the URL and I'm going to backup stopping at each slash mark and then. I can see. I will eventually get to the website where the PDF was located. in this case. I hit a forbidden.

I'm not allowed to look at that but if. I back up to one more slash mark here's my website. in this case it is the green press press initiative. here we go and then if. I hold my mouse over here let's go back actually.

I get that little message and notice it says the green press initiative. I'm actually going to use that green press and okay publisher or sponsor of website. I'm going to go back and take a look again and in this case. I may need to look at the whole website and do a little research. I'm going to click about us actually and they're just saying green press initiative.

I'm just going to copy that there we go publication or revision date now. I want to look at the document that I'm using right here there is no date information here even though there is date information posted on the website 2007 I'm not sure what the date is on the PDF that I'm using. I'm going to skip that the URL. hypothetically. I am NOT required to enter a URL however everything that I've been reading about this.

I would actually include the URL unless I'm told by my instructor that. I don't have to. again I'm going to copy it from here and paste it into and notice that we have the little HTTP colon slash slash and the date we readed it. February 28 2012 annotation if. I want to write a little paragraph about it. I can enter it there and.

I think this is about right. I do generate citation and here it is and then. I can go back in and edit it I'm going to cancel that or. I can copy it if. I want to do that you can also print or export it. I have a lot of options here but the main reason why. I like it is because it really does walk you through how to do the citation and.

I think that's everything. I need. that's about it and that's how you do a mla citation of the PDF documents that you find online thanks bye.