

CITING YOUR AI SOURCES



What is a Citation?

A citation is a way to show where you got your information from. It gives credit to the source, such as a book, article, website, or in this case, an AI tool, that created the idea, image, or words. Citing your sources is like saying “I didn’t make this up, here is where I found it!” Citations help others find the same source, they show what you’ve done your research, and that you are being honest in your work.

How to Cite AI Generated Content

MLA FORMAT

- “Prompt in quotes” with the word prompt after.
- The AI tool used,
- Version of AI tool used,
- Publisher of AI tool,
- Date you generated the prompt,
- URL of AI tool

Example:

“Description of the prompt,” prompt. Name of AI tool, Version, Publisher of AI tool, Date generated, URL.

Example:

“Identify 5 topics to use in an essay about Ancient Egypt” prompt. Microsoft Copilot, GPT-4o, Microsoft, 20 June 2025, copilot.microsoft.com.

APA FORMAT

- Publisher of the AI tool.
- (Year you used the AI tool).
- The AI tool used.
- Version of AI tool used
- [Description of the tool used]For example:
Large Language Model for text, AI Image Generator
- URL of AI tool

Example:

Publisher of tool. (year). Tool used (Version) [Description of tool]. URL

Example:

Microsoft. (2025) Microsoft Copilot, GPT-4o, [Large Language Model]. copilot.microsoft.com.

