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Book (one author)


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**Example of In-Text Citation:** (Allende et al. 25).

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Book (Translation)


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Book with No Author


**Example of In-Text Citation:** *(How to 52).*
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110th Congress, 1st session, Senate Report 111-8.

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(U.S. Cong. Senate Comm. On Energy and Natural Resources 50)


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*Seven Myths about Tutoring.* Delta College, n.d.

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**Monthly Magazine**

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**Journal**

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