



MLA FORMAT

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Title of Essay

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The abstract is a very brief description of your entire paper. It goes on the second page after the title page, and is the only thing on the second page. It is usually about 120-200 words. First, explain the problem. Next, tell the reader how it was addressed. Then explain the key findings and finally the major conclusions and any practical or theoretical implications based on the data. Because it is a summary of the entire paper, it is usually a good idea to write the abstract last. The abstract should be very specific and

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