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¹ Nelson Mandela, Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela (Boston: Little, Brown and Company, 1995) 230.

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² Mandela 322.

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³ Richard T. Schaefer and Robert P. Lamm, Sociology, 6th ed. (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1998) 543-544.

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⁴ Gabriel A. Almond, et al., Comparative Politics Today: A World View (New York: Longman, 2003) 395-398.

Newspaper, Magazine, or Journal Articles

Author, “Article Title,” Periodical Title DD MMM. YYYY: Page(s).

⁵ Anne Sutton, “Senators Urge High Court Delay,” Anchorage Daily News 15 Nov. 2006: B1+.

Electronic Sources

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Website: All Information Found

⁶ Philip Kunhardt, Jr., et al., “James Madison: Creating the Balance,” Miller Center of Public Affairs, 19 Jan. 2005, 27 Nov. 2005 <<http://www.americanpresident.org/history/jamesmadison/biography/resources/Articles/KunhardtMadison.article.shtml>>.

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⁷ “The Madison Family,” James Madison’s Montpelier, 27 Nov. 2006 <<http://www.montpelier.org/history/madisons.cfm>>.

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