

Formatting Titles

Capitalization

In titles of books, magazines, poems, stories, movies, paintings and other works of art, ***capitalize the first and last words, as well as other “important” words.***

- In the middle of titles, ***do not capitalize articles*** (a, an, the), ***conjunctions*** (and, but, or, nor), or ***prepositions of four or fewer letters*** (of, with, for, from, in, etc.)
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Italics

Titles of “full works” are italicized. Full works include **books, movies, magazines, newspapers, and record albums.**

Books: *Lord of the Flies / Ender’s Game / Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone*

Movies: *The Matrix / Saving Priate Ryan / A Series of Unfortunate Events*

Magazines: *Food Network Magazine / National Geographic / Sky & Telescope*

Newspapers: *The New York Times / The Washington Post / The Cleveland Plain Dealer*

Record albums: *...And Ot Come the Wolves / Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness*

Quotation marks

Titles of “smaller works” that are part of a larger whole are indicated with quotation marks. Works within works would be things like **short stories** within a larger volume, **songs from an album**, **poems** that come from a collection, and **articles found in magazines or on websites.**

Short stories: *“All Summer in a Day” / “There Will Come Soft Rains” / “The Veldt”*

Songs: *“Here Comes the Sun” / “Stairway to Heaven” / “My Generation”*

Poems: *“Walking Across the Atlanctic” / “Stupid Pencil Maker” / “Theme for English B”*

Articles: *“Consider the Lobster” / “Hub Fans Bid Kid Adieu” / “The Curious Case of Sidd Finch”*