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### Parenthetical Referencing in MLA

You are writing a short paper with the simple thesis that **the world is flat**.

### You have several sources, but these three help prove one of your points in particular:

A book by Uar Joking, called "Flat Earth, More Fact than Fiction".

A journal article by Gotta B. Kidding called "Down with Spherical Geography"

A book, by Dr. Nodda Chance titled "If It Was Round You'd Fall Off"

#### The works cited looks like this:

Chance, Nodda. If It Was Round You'd Fall Off. Bedlam: Off The Wall Press, 2014. Print

Joking, Uar. Flat Earth, More Fact than Fiction. New York: Bellevue Press, 2015. Print

Kidding, Gotta. "Down with Spherical Geography." *The Journal of Just Weird Geography* Vol. 7 (2015) pp. 23-97. Print.

## One of your paragraphs of impressive proof looks like this:

Well established and credible sources have stated beyond doubt that the world is flat.

Dr. Nodda Chance clearly states in his book that if the world were round, "we would all fall to the

bottom of the planet" (37). In this case you have used a direct quotation from Chance's (you mention Dr. Chance by name, so all you need for the parenthetic reference is a page number)

work...so you give it credit. Add a few well chosen words that further describe and clarify Dr.

Chance's point of view....your words...not just meaningless drivel but something concise and to

the point. Further, it has been demonstrated beyond doubt that the popular views about the

earth being spherical are simply nonsense (Joking 25). More witty banter added by you in your (you didn't mention Joking by name, so you need the name and page number page number)

own words to explain what exactly is being talked about. Notice that in this case you have

paraphrased Joking's ideas but you must still give credit. Lastly, Kidding clearly proves in her

masterful work "Down with Spherical Geography" that we have been lied to for years about the

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true nature of our world (45). A few words of clarification to show that you know what she is

talking about and how it fits. It is clear, based on the works of these three scholars, that the

earth is indeed flat.

For further information look <u>here</u>.