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<b>Magazine article</b>	Lawrence, Ronald M. "Fat in the Diet: How to Retain the 'Good' Fats and Avoid the Bad." <i>Total Health</i> Mar.- Apr. 2001: 50-51. <i>ProQuest Direct</i> . Web. 5 August 2009.
<b>Newspaper article</b>	Dworkin, Andy. "Embrace Omega-3 Fats, Your Heart Will Love You." <i>Seattle Times</i> 18 June 2008: E1. <i>Proquest Direct</i> . Web. 5 August 2009.
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<b>Scholarly article</b>	Francis, Terri. "What Does Beyoncé See in Josephine Baker?: A Brief Film History of Sampling La Diva, La Bakaire." <i>Scholar and Feminist Online</i> 6.1-2 (2008): n. pag. Web. 4 Aug. 2009. <b>[use n. pag. if the article isn't numbered]</b>
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