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- Nazario traveled throughout Mexico retracing Enrique's steps (xix).

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**Example of MLA bibliographic citation:**

- Nazario, Sonia. *Enrique's Journey*. Random House, 2007.

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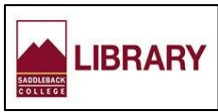
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