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Website

Cohen, Elizabeth. “Ways to Avoid Germs While Traveling.” *CNN.com*. CNN, 27 Feb. 2009.
Web. 27 Feb. 2009.

Online Newspaper or Journal Article

Lubell, Samantha. “Of the Sea and Air and Sky.” *New York Times*. New York Times,
22 Apr. 2009. Web. 26 Aug. 2009.

Journal Article from an Online Database

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Opposing Viewpoints. Web. 5 June 2009.

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Book

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Westport, Connecticut: Praeger Publishers, 2008. Print.

Print Magazine/Journal Article

Aldrich, Frederick A. and Margo L. Marks. "Exploring American Politics." *Newsweek* 23.8

29 July 2008: 26-35. Print.

Encyclopedia Article

"Japan." *The Encyclopedia Americana*. 2004 ed. Print.

A Multi Volume Work

Sadie, Stanley, ed. *The New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians*. 2nd ed. Vol. 4.

New York: Grove, 2008. Print.