

# The Anatomy of a Notecard

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Jazz Bands in Denver

Magazine 1

The first jazz bands appeared in Denver in about 1877. They were usually made up of a piano, a guitar, and a set of drums. Most bands were started by men who moved to Denver from the Deep South. The men in these bands were treated as heroes and were the toast of society.

On the lines of the notecard, you should record the facts themselves. Remember to record as much detail as possible.

Look for "perfect" sentences that say something so well you will want to quote them in your project. Copy those sentences word-for-word *exactly*. If you are quoting a passage, remember to use quotation marks and write down the page number(s). You will need that for your *citation*.