Annotated Bibliography

Primary Sources

Hiltzik, Michael. "Skyscraper Prompts an Environmental Uproar: Kenya: The Furor over the Proposed High-rise in Nairobi Is Unusual for Two Reasons: Progress Is Rarely Opposed, and Political Debate Is Almost Non-existent." Los Angeles Times, 17 Dec. 1989. Los Angeles Times, www.latimes.com/archives/la-xpm-1989-12-17-mn-1678-story.html. Accessed 23 Nov. 2019. This source is a primary newspaper article from the Los Angeles Times that was published around the time Maathai was becoming a prominent figure. I used this source to add more variety to my sources and to get more details on what the public opinion was regarding Maathai and the Green Belt Movement. This source helped my understanding of the topic by better explaining what the world thought of Maathai back in the 1980's and 90's. I used this source in my paper to explain the details surrounding the 1989 incident at Uhuru Park.

Truth to Power, edited by Kerry Kennedy. This source is a well-written primary article by the topic, Wangari Maathai. I used it to add more variety to my sources and to better understand Maathai’s views on African politics and the environment. This source helped my understanding of my topic by giving a more detailed explanation of what Maathai believed in and what motivated her to take action. I used this source in my paper to better show Maathai’s struggle against the Kenyan government.

Maathai, Wangari. Unbowed: A Memoir. New York, Alfred A. Knopf, 2006. This source is a well-written and detailed autobiography from the topic, Wangari Maathai. I used this source to add more variety to my sources and to get more specific details about Maathai’s life. This source greatly helped my understanding of the topic by giving more facts about Maathai childhood, education, activism, and career. I used this source in my paper in many areas, as it contained a plethora of information on multiple aspects.

Maathai, Wangari. "Trees for Democracy." The New York Times. The New York Times, www.nytimes.com/2004/12/10/opinion/trees-for-democracy.html. Accessed 4 Nov. 2019. This is a primary newspaper article written by Wangari Maathai. I used it to get more information on Maathai’s activism and to add more variety to my sources. This source helped my understanding of the topic by making it more clear what Maathai’s plans for Africa were, and what she had done to help Africa
thrive. I used this source in my paper to show Maathai's opinions on the Kenyan government.


Maathai, Wangari. "Prof Wangari Maathai's Keynote Address during the 2nd World Congress of Agroforestry." 24 Aug. 2009. The Green Belt Movement, 2019, www.greenbeltmovement.org/wangari-maathai/key-speeches-and-articles/2nd-world-congress-of-agroforestry-keynote-address. Accessed 31 Oct. 2019. Address. This is a primary address given by the topic, Wangari Maathai. I used this to get more information on Maathai's views and what she believed were solutions to Africa's problems. This source helped my understanding of the topic by better showing me what Maathai’s views on the environment were and what

Maathai, Wangari Muta. "Rise Up and Walk!" 19 July 2005. The Green Belt Movement, 2019, www.greenbeltmovement.org/wangari-maathai/key-speeches-and-articles/rise-up-and-walk. Accessed 24 Oct. 2019. Speech. This is a speech given by Wangari Maathai, the topic herself. I used it to add more variety to my sources, and to get more information about Maathai’s beliefs. This source helped my understanding of the topic by making more clear what Maathai’s thoughts on the environment and African politics were. I used this source in my paper to show Maathai’s views on disempowerment.
Rowe, Martin. E-mail interview. 22 Oct. 2019. This source is an interview that I conducted over e-mail with Martin Rowe, someone who personally knew Wangari Maathai. I used it to add more variety to my sources and to get information on Maathai not commonly mentioned in other sources, like her personality. This source helped my understanding of the topic by better explaining what Maathai was like as an individual. I used this source in my paper to emphasize the danger Maathai faced in Kenya while also showing the more personal side of her.


Ngunjiri, Philip. "ENVIRONMENT-KENYA: UN Chief Condemns the Beating of Ecologist." *Inter Press Service News Agency* [Nairobi], 11 Jan. 1999. *Inter Press Service*, www.ipsnews.net/1999/01/environment-kenya-un-chief-condemns-the-beating-of-ecologist/. Accessed 21 Mar. 2020. This source is a newspaper edition from 1999, reporting on the beating of Wangari Maathai and her supporters at the Karura Forest. I used this source to better balance my sources, and to gain better insight at how world leaders reacted to the violence. This source helped my understanding of my topic by giving a less partial perspective of Maathai's actions. I used this source in my paper to better show the struggles Maathai had with the Kenyan government.
www.nytimes.com/1989/12/06/world/nairobi-journal-skyscraper-s-enemy-draws-a-daily-dose-of-scorn.html. Accessed 21 Mar. 2020. This source is a primary newspaper article from 1989, reporting on Maathai’s opposition against the Uhuru Park skyscraper. I used this source to add more variety to my sources, and to get more details on Maathai’s first clashes with the government. This source helped my understanding of my topic by giving an outsider’s insight on Wangari Maathai’s actions in 1989. I used this source in my paper to give more details on the Uhuru Park incident.

**Secondary Sources**

Breton, Mary Joy. *Women Pioneers for the Environment*. Boston, Northeastern UP, 1998. This source is a thorough, well-written secondary book. I used it to reinforce what I already know and to get details on important aspects of Maathai’s life that I haven’t recorded yet. This helped my understanding of my source by going into more detail about the cultural obstacles Maathai faced and the successes of the Green Belt Movement. I used this source in my project in a variety of areas, from Maathai’s education to her effects on ordinary people.
The Green Belt Movement. "The Green Belt Movement: 40 Years of Impact." *The Goldman Environmental Prize*, 21 Mar. 2018, www.goldmanprize.org/blog/green-belt-movement-wangari-maathai/. Accessed 8 Jan. 2020. This is a secondary website that provides extensive information about Maathai’s work. I used this to learn more about Maathai’s effects on the environment. This has helped my understanding of the topic by showing how Maathai has impacted the world to this day, and to get more up-to-date information. I used this source in my project to provide more recent numbers and statistics in the section of my project showing the effects of Maathai on the environment.

Malnor, Bruce, and Carol Malnor. *Champions of the Wilderness*. Illustrated by Anisa Claire Hovemann, Nevada City, Dawn Publications, 2009. Earth Heroes. This source is a well-written secondary book. I used it to add more variety to my sources and to get a more in-depth look into Maathai’s life. This helped my understanding of the topic by giving more details about Maathai's childhood and education. I used this source in my paper to show Maathai's actions toward helping ordinary people.

Oyugi, Willis. E-mail interview. 27 Oct. 2019. This source is an interview I personally conducted over e-mail with Willis Oyugi, a professor at Sam Houston State University who is an expert in African environmental history. I used it to add more
variety to my sources and to get more lesser-known facts about Wangari Maathai and the Green Belt Movement, such as the reason for the movement's success. This source helped my understanding of the topic by better explaining the Green Belt Movement's effects on Africa and why the movement was so influential. I used this source in my paper to better show Maathai's impacts on rural women and to extract important quotes to reinforce my claims.

Sirch, Willow Ann. *Eco-Women: Protectors of the Earth*. Fulcrum Publishing, 1996. This source is a well-written book (secondary). I used it to get more information on why Wangari Maathai was so invested in the environment and the actions she took to help Kenya's trees. This source helped my understanding of the topic by better explaining Maathai's childhood, the challenges she faced being a woman, and the importance of trees in Kenya. I used this source in my paper to show the problems facing rural women before Maathai took action.

barriers she broke. I used this source in my paper in a variety of areas, but I mainly used it to show Maathai's activism against the Kenyan government.


"Wangari Maathai Biographical." *The Nobel Prize*, Norwegian Nobel Institute, 2005, www.nobelprize.org/prizes/peace/2004/maathai/biographical/. Accessed 21 Oct. 2019. This source is a credible, well-written secondary website. I used it to get more information about Maathai's activism and achievements. This source helped my understanding of Wangari Maathai by better explaining the awards Maathai won and what she did to earn them. I used this source in my paper mainly to highlight Maathai's achievements and awards.

"Wangari Maathai - Biography." *The Green Belt Movement*, 2019, www.greenbeltmovement.org/. Accessed 14 Oct. 2019. This is a trustworthy and reliable secondary website. I used it to get more information on the Green Belt Movement and also on Wangari Maathai's activism. This source helped my understanding of my topic by going into more detail about the purpose and history of the Green Belt Movement. Due to this source's varied information on Maathai, I used it in multiple sections, although it was primarily used in the paragraphs showing Maathai's impacts on people and the environment.