

## ***CHINOPERL: Journal of Chinese Oral and Performing Literature Style Sheet*** **(2022)**

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The following are two sample notes/entries—

Shortened note (English book):

Rolston, *Traditional Chinese Fiction*, p. 194.

Bibliography entry:

Rolston, David L. *Traditional Chinese Fiction and Fiction Commentary: Reading and Writing Between the Lines*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1997.

Journal citation:

Shortened note (Chinese article):

Song Lihua, “Fangyan,” p. 37.

Bibliography entry:

Song Lihua 宋莉华, “Fangyan yu Ming Qing xiaoshuo ji qi chuanbo” 方言與明清小說及其傳播 (Dialect and Ming Qing novels and their transmission). *Ming Qing xiaoshuo yanjiu* 明清小說研究, no. 4 (1999): 36–50.

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