



## ***Capitalization Rules for Titles***

### **1 General**

The rules for capitalizing titles can vary according to a particular style guide, such as

- Associated Press Stylebook <http://www.apstylebook.com/>
- Chicago Manual of Style <http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html>
- MLA [http://www.mla.org/ style](http://www.mla.org/style).
- the U.S. Government Printing Office Style Manual <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/stylemanual/browse.html> or <http://grammar.yourdictionary.com/capitalization/rules-for-capitalization-in-titles.html#MXDchjrues875pzx.99>

Here are our rules:

### **2 In Titles: Do Capitalize**

Generally, these parts of speech are capitalized in titles.

- Nouns: man, bus, book, ...
- Adjectives: angry, lovely, small, ...
- Verbs: run, eat, sleep, ...
- Adverbs: slowly, quickly, quietly
- Pronouns: he, she, it, ...
- first and last words in a title

### **3 Generally, we do not capitalize:**

- Articles: a, an, the
- Coordinating Conjunctions: and, but, or, for, nor, because, etc.
- Prepositions (fewer than five letters): on, at, to, from, by, for, in, of, to, up, etc.
- Subordinating conjunctions: as, because, that, ....