

APA Style Reference Pages

There are many different methods of citation in use in various academic communities. Papers written in American Psychological Association (APA) style always include a Reference page listing all sources used in the text.

General Format & Basic Rules for Most Sources

- Located at end of paper on a new page
- Double-spaced throughout and use “hanging indent” format (the first line of each reference is set flush left and subsequent lines are indented)
- General reference style: Titles are in sentence case; only the first word of the title and subtitle (the material after the :) and any proper names are capitalized. ****If no author is given, regardless of the format, put the title in the author position.**
- Alphabetize by last name of first author of each work
- For multiple articles by the same author(s), list entries in chronological order (earliest to most recent)
- Italicize titles of longer works (books, edited collections, newspapers, etc)
- Do not italicize, underline, or put quotes around titles of shorter works (book chapters, essays in edited collections)

Book by one author

Print: Gardner, H. (1993). *Creating minds*. Basic Books.

Electronic Book Based on Print: Krames, J.A. (2002). The Rumsfeld way: The leadership wisdom of a battle-hardened veteran. doi: 10.1036/0071406417

Edited Book (Print): Davis, W. C. & Robertson, J. I., Jr. (Eds.). (2005). *Virginia at war: 1861*. University Press of Kentucky.

Book by 2 to 20 Authors

Print: Skidmore, R. A., Thackeray, M. G., & Farley, O. W. (1997). *Introduction to social work* (7th ed.). Allyn and Bacon.

Book by More than 20 Authors

Pegion, K., Kirtman, B. P., Becker, E., Collins, D. C., LaJoie, E., Burgman, R., Bell, R., DelSole, R., Min, D., Zhu, Y., Li, W., Sinsky, E., Guan, H., Gottschalck, J., Metzger, E. J., Barton, N. P., Achuthavarier, D., Marshak, J., Koster, R., . . . Kim, H. (2019). The subseasonal experiment (SubX): A multimodel subseasonal prediction experiment. *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*, 100(10), 2043-2061. <https://doi.org/10.1175/BAMS-D-18-0270.1>

Chapter in an Edited Book

Print: Carlyle, T. (1995). The Hero as King. In J. T. Wren (Ed.), *The Leader's Companion* (pp. 53-55). Free Press.

Electronic (no DOI available, viewed through a subscription): Lowenthal, D. (2002). The disenchanting future. In R.D. Sack (Ed.), *Progress: Geographical Essays* (pp.61-77). <http://www.netlibrary.com/>

Citation of a Work Discussed in a Secondary Source

Example of in-text citation (secondary source): Glasser’s study (as cited in Ellis, 1999)...

Example of reference: (original source): Ellis, A. (1999). Rational emotive behavior therapy as an internal control psychology. *International Journal of Reality Therapy*, 19(1), 4-11.

Journal Article

Basic Form: Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (Year). Title of article. *Title of Periodical*, volume number (issue number), pages. <https://doi.org/xx.xxx/yyyy>
***Include the DOI for print sources, if available.**

Print: Hall, D. T. (1990). Promoting work/family balance. *Organizational Dynamics*, 18(3), 5-18.

Electronic with no DOI: Mates, B. F., & Strommen, L. (1995). Why Ernie can't read: 'Sesame Street' and literacy. *The Reading Teacher*, 49(4), 300-306.
<http://www.reading.org/general/Publications/Journals/RT.aspx>

Open-Access (free online) with no DOI: Tullos, A. (2004, June 8). The Carolina Piedmont. *Southern Spaces*. <http://www.southernspaces.org/contents/2004/tullos/5a.htm>

Always include the URL for open-access journals.

Newspaper Article

Print: Blanton, K. (2007, August 24). Short sales of homes on rise. *The Boston Globe*, pp. A1, A6.

Electronic: Schwirtz, M. (2009, August 13). Russian navy joins search for freighter. *The New York Times*. <http://www.nytimes.com>

Magazine Article

Print: Dicum, G. (2007, September). Eyes in the sky and on your desktop. *Sierra*, 92(5), 58-62.

Electronic (No Author) accessed through a subscription: A wiser wiki. (2007, May). *Utne Reader*, (141), 10-11. <http://www.utne.com>

Encyclopedia Article

Print: Corey, G. (1994). Self-esteem. In *Encyclopedia of Psychology* (Vol. 3, pp. 369-370). Wiley.

Electronic accessed through a subscription: Kaczowski, C. (2006). Acid-base balance. In *Gale Encyclopedia of Nursing and Allied Health* (2nd edition). <http://www.gale.cengage.com>

Government Document

Electronic, agency as author: Organization Name. (Year). *Title of report*. URL.

United States Government Accountability Office. (2019). *Performance and accountability report: Fiscal year 2019*. <https://www.gao.gov/assets/710/702715.pdf>

Interviews and Personal Communications

Because they cannot be directly retrieved by a reader, personal communications such as telephone conversations, emails, and personal interviews are **not** included in the Reference list. In the text, give initials, surname of the communicator, and provide as exact a date as possible: (N. Schwartz, personal communication, April 1, 2001).

Other types of interviews: Khazan, J. (1980, December 4). Oral history interview with Jibreel Khazan. Greensboro Voices. The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro.

Miscellaneous Online: Website, Podcast, Blog Post, YouTube

Website: Lastname, F. M. (Year, Month Date). *Title of page*. Site name. URL

Price, D. (2018, March 23). *Laziness does not exist*.

Medium. <https://humanparts.medium.com/laziness-does-not-exist-3af27e312d01>

Podcast: Host, A. A. (Host). (Year, Month Date). Title of episode (No. if provided) [Audio podcast episode]. In Name of podcast. Publisher. URL

Prime, K. (Host). (2019, March 29). For whom the cowbell tolls [Audio podcast episode]. In *Radiolab*. WNYC Studios. <https://www.wnycstudios.org/story/whom-cowbell-tolls>

Blog post: Lastname, F. M. (Year, Month Date). Title of post. *Publisher*. URL

Ninja. (2009, August 9). A dollar a day [Web log message]. <http://www.punchdebtintheface.com>

YouTube or Streaming Video: Last Name, F. M. [Username]. (Year, Month Date). *Title of video* [Video]. Streaming Service. URL

Lushi, K. [Korab Lushi]. (2016, July 3). *Albatross culture I* [Video].

YouTube. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_AMrJRQDPjk&t=148s

Note: The person or group who uploaded the video is considered the author. If the author's name is the same as the username, you can omit the [Username].

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APA formatting and style guide (7th edition): General Format. (2020). Purdue online writing lab.

https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_formatting_and_style_guide/general_format.html