

Quick Guide to APA Citations

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The American Psychological Association (APA) style is commonly used to cite sources within the behavioral and social sciences. You must give proper credit to all the sources used in a research paper to avoid plagiarism. Sources must be listed on a separate page titled **References** and within your paper using an **in-text** citation. Properly citing a source consists of an in-text citation and the full citation.

Print

Magazine Article (print)

Wolff, A. (2015, July 6). Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. *Sports Illustrated*, 123(1), 118-123.

In-text citation: (Author, Year, Page) (Wolf, 2015, p. 120)

Newspaper Article (print)

Taylor, A. (2015, July 29). Scientists: Virus, not bridge work, killed Hudson fish. *The Journal News*, p. 1A, 8A.

In-text citation: (Taylor, 2015, p. 8A)

Journal Article (print version)

Clemency, B. M., Ott, J. A., Tanski, C. T., Bart, J. A., & Lindstrom, H. A. (2015). Parenteral midazolam is superior to diazepam for treatment of prehospital seizures. *Prehospital Emergency Care*, 19(2), 218-223.

In-text citation: First time cited (Clemency, Ott, Tanski, Bart, & Lindstrom, 2015, p. 221)

Each additional citation would be (Clemency et al, 2015, p. 225)

Book One Author

Author Last Name, First Initial. (Date). *Title of book*. Location: Publisher.

Lewis, M. (2007). *The blind side*. New York, NY: W.W. Norton & Company.

In text citation: (Lewis, 2007, p. 45)

Book with 2 -7 Authors

Author Last Name, First Initial., Author Last Name, First Initial., & Author Last Name, First Initial. (Year Published). *Title of book* (Edition). Location: Publisher.

For sources with more than seven authors, after the sixth author's name, use an ellipses ... in place of the additional author names. Then provide the final author name. There should be no more than seven names.

Plowman, S., & Smith, D. (2013). *Exercise physiology for health fitness and performance* (4th ed.). Baltimore, MD: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.

In-text citation: (Plowman & Smith, 2013, p. 55)

For sources with 3-5 authors, list the authors last names the first time and subsequently the first author followed by et al. (Brown et al., 2013) For more info. about multiple authors, refer to the *APA Manual* 6th edition pages 175-176.

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Book with a Corporate Author

American Psychiatric Association. (2013). *Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders* (5th ed.).

Washington, DC: American Psychiatric Publishing.

In-text Citation: (American Psychiatric Association, 2014, p. 100)

Chapter in a Book that has Unique Authors for each Chapter (ex. an anthology)

Author Last name, First initial. (Year of Publication). Title of chapter. In Editor First Initial Last Name

(Ed.), *Title of book* (Pages of chapter). City of publication, State: Publisher.

Ayres, I., & Nalebuff, B. (2006). Black boxes for cars. In A. C. Nakaya (Ed.), *Cars in America* (pp. 83- 87).

Detroit, MI: Greenhaven Press.

In-text citation: (Ayres & Nalebuff, 2006, p. 84)

Online Sources

Magazine Article (online)

Hodges, G. (2015, January). First Americans. *National Geographic*. Retrieved from

<http://ngm.nationalgeographic.com/2015/01/first-americans/hodges-text>

In-text citation: (Hodges, 2015, para. 2) *If the page is not available include the paragraph number (para. 2)

Newspaper Article (online)

Nuwer, R. (2014, February 24). Like Columbus, it floated here. *The New York Times*, p. D3. Retrieved

from <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/25/science/out-of-their-gourds-cameours.html>

In-text citation: (Nuwer, 2014, D3) *Sometimes a newspaper publishes online-only content and the page number is not available. In this case, include the paragraph you are quoting: i.e. (Newer, 2014, para. 3)

Journal Article (online w/DOI)

Puckett, E. E., Kristensen, T. V., Wilton, C. M., Lyda, S. B., Noyce, K. V., Holahan, P. M., ... Eggert, L. S.

(2014). Influence of drift and admixture on population structure of American black bears (*Ursus americanus*) in the Central Interior Highlands, USA, 50 years after translocation. *Molecular Ecology*, 23(10), 2414-2427. doi:10.1111/mec.12748

In-text citation: (Puckett et al., 2008, p. 700)

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Journal article (online without DOI)

Blain, R. (2010). The information chain theory: Integrating social theory. *International Journal of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences*, 5(8), 283-307. Retrieved from
<http://libproxy.sunywcc.edu:2061/login.aspx?direct=true&db=a9h&AN=73343639&site=ehostlive>

In-text citation: (Blain, 2010, p. 285)

Ebook you find via the library

Hoyt, K. (2012). *Long shot : Vaccines for national defense*. Retrieved from
<http://libproxy.sunywcc.edu:2051/lib/sunywcc/detail.action?docID=10522597>

In-text citation: (Hoyt, 2012, p. 45)

Digital File from Blackboard

Jenkins, D. (2014). The Endocrine system. [PowerPoint slides]. Retrieved from
https://sunywcc.sln.suny.edu/bbcswebdav/pid-1038399-dt-content-rid5143316_1/xid5143316_1

In-text citation: (Jenkins, 2014)

* The bracket should indicate the source type. Ex: [Brochure] [Data file]

Online Video

BBC. (2010). Mexico's drug war [Video file]. Retrieved from <https://youtu.be/ThcAPtAA0ec>

In-text citation: (BBC, 2010)

*The bracket should indicate the source type. Ex: [Brochure] [Data file]

Websites

Website with Author and Date of Publication

Diana, D. (2015). Helicopter parents, it's up to you to let go now as your teens get ready for high school [Blog post]. Retrieved from http://www.huffingtonpost.com/dorothyokeefediana/helicopter-parents-its-up-to-you-to-let-go-now-as-your-teens-get-ready-forhighschool_b_7736806.htm

In-text citation: (Diana, 2015, para. 2)

*The bracket should indicate the source type. Ex: [Brochure] [Data file]

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Media and Other Sources

DVD

Producer, A.A. (Producer), & Director, B.B. (Director). (Year). *Title of motion picture* [Motion Picture or DVD].

Country of Origin: Studio.

Oteyza, M. (Producer), & Cowperthwaite, G. (Director). (2013). *Blackfish* [Motion picture]. USA: Magnolia Films.

In-text Citation: (Oteyza & Cowperthwaite, 2013)

Unpublished interview conducted by you

If a source is not published or “findable,” it should not be included in the APA reference list. Hence, if you conducted an interview you will only cite it as an in-text citation. This format also applies to private letters, memos, and private e-mails.

First name and Middle initial, last name of interviewee (personal communication, Date of Interview)

In-text Citation (S. A. Taylor, personal communication, March 8, 2010)

Sample List of References

- List sources on a separate page titled **References**.
- List sources alphabetically based on the first word in the citation.
- Double space all citations and indent ½ inch from the left margin (hanging indent) the second line and additional lines belonging to the citation.

References

BBC. (2010). “Mexico’s drug war” [Video file]. Retrieved from <https://youtu.be/ThcAPtAA0ec>

Cox, C. R., Arndt, J., Pyszczynski, T., Greenberg, J., Abdollahi, A., & Solomon, S. (2008). Terror management and adults' attachment to their parents: The safe haven remains. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, *94*(4), 696-717. doi:10.1037/0022-3514.94.4.696

Doctor removes more than 70 non-food items from dog's stomach. (2015, July 11) Retrieved from <http://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/Doctor-Removes-70-Non-Food-Items-From-Dogs-Stomach-313331761.html>