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CITING SOURCES ON REFERENCE LIST

Articles
Each entry in the reference list usually contains the following elements:
- Author(s)
- Year of publication
- Title
- Publishing information

Journal, Newspaper, or Magazine Article (7.01, see p. 198 in the APA Publication Manual)
- Always use the Digital Object Identifier (DOI) if one has been assigned (p. 187).
- Precede page numbers for newspaper articles with p. or pp.

Journal, Magazine, or Newspaper Article without DOI, Accessed Online (7.01, pp. 199-200)
- If there is no DOI but the article is accessed online, give the URL of the journal home page.
- For newspapers, give the URL of the home page when the online version of the article is available by search to avoid nonworking URLs (p. 201).

Journal, Magazine, or Newspaper Article without DOI, Accessed in Print or via Library Database (7.01, pp. 199-200)
- No URL is necessary for library databases that provide full-text articles (such as PsycINFO, Academic Search Premier, etc.).
- Differentiate between library databases (this example) and specific web sites of journals (previous example).

Books
Entries for books in the reference list usually contain the following elements:
- Name(s) of author, editor, compiler, or translator
- Date of publication
- Title of the work
- Edition number
- Volume number
- Location of publication and name of publication
Entire Book (7.02, p. 202)


Book Chapter or Reference Work (7.02, pp. 202-205)
- When no author is given for an entry in a reference work, move title of entry to the beginning of citation.
- When no date is given, substitute (n.d.) in the place of the date (p. 205).


Websites
- Note: The APA style manual does not include a section for “websites” per se.
- As noted above, if the publication date is unknown, use (n.d.).
- Other relevant pieces of information may be inserted following examples above.

Informally Published or Self-Archived Work (7.09, p. 212)


Blog Post (7.11, p. 215)
- If the author’s full name is available, list the last name followed by initials. If only a screen name is available, use the screen name.


In-text Citations
- Generally, the publication date follows the author’s name, enclosed in parentheses: “(Putnam, 2000).”

With three or more authors, and appearing for the first time:
“…(Lee, Kim, & Ahn, 2014).”
Every time after that:
“…(Lee, et al., 2014).”

In-text citations can also be included naturally within a sentence, for example:
“Lee, Kim, and Ahn (2014) have found that…”
- Differentiate between the use of “and” and “&”.

For complete information on first citations and subsequent citations, see the APA style manual, 6th edition, section 6.11-6.24, beginning on p174. A helpful table of various possibilities is located on p177 of the manual.

For more information, see the Publication manual of the American Psychological Association (6th ed.), available in Bracken Library at the Reference Desk BF76.7 .P83 2010.