APA Style: Sample Bibliographic Entries (7th edition)
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The American Psychological Association (APA) documentation format uses in-text citations that briefly identify the source, enabling the reader to locate full bibliographic information on each source in the list of "References" at the end of the essay, article, or book. Numbers in brackets refer to sections of the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th edition). Changes from the 6th edition include the fact that publisher location is no longer included in the reference. The label "DOI:" is no longer necessary, but include the DOI for all items that have the number. The DOI number is not followed by a period.

The majority of references are no longer preceded by "Retrieved from." [9.16]. The 7th edition also recommends one space after a period. [6.1]

APA In-Text Citations

The APA style uses the author-date method of citation. For direct quotations in print sources, a page number is given within the parenthesis. If the source used is electronic and does not have page numbers, use the paragraph number. [8.27]

Type of Entry	Example
One Work by One Author [Table 8.1]	A modern scientist has a particular relationship with his own dignity that is far from ideal (Lacan, 2008).
One Work by Multiple Authors If the authors' names are mentioned in a signal phrase, only the date is included in parenthesis	Pellegrini and Bjorklund (1998) believe the study of children more complex than previously recognized.
One Work by three or More Authors When there are twenty or more authors, cite only the surname of the first author followed by et al. and the year. Note: since this example is a direct quote, the page number is also included in the parenthesis.	"There are particular gaps and inconsistencies in the study of relations between martial conflict, ANS responding, and children's externalizing problems" (El-Sheikh et al., 2009, p. 2).
Groups as Authors [8.21] If the author is a government agency or other corporate organization with a long name, spell out the name the first time it is used, followed by an abbreviation in brackets and the year. In subsequent references, just use the abbreviation and the year.	First Citation: (American Psychological Association [APA], 2009). Subsequent Citations: (APA, 2009).
No Identified Author [8.14] Cite by title of the book or article either in a signal phrase (see example) or in the parenthetical citations and include year of publication.	According to *Joint investigations of child abuse* (1993), effective intervention requires trained personnel.
Personal Communication. [8.9] Includes private letters, personal interviews, live speeches, emails, text messages, telephone conversations. **Not included in References** list.	Day care providers in New Bedford, Massachusetts face increasing difficulty in finding quality staff (N.D. Cruz, personal communication, November 16, 2009).

The APA format calls the list of books, periodicals, print and non-print materials "References."
Some Guidelines for preparing the "References" list:

- Use a separate page and type "References", centered, at the top. Double-space all entries.
- For second and subsequent lines, use the Hanging Indent of 0.5 inches. [9.43]
- Include only sources that document your article and "provide recoverable data." [9.37]
- Alphabetize by author's (or editor's) last name, or by the first significant word in the title if there is no author or editor. [9.44]
- Invert all authors' (or editors') names, using surnames and initials only for up to and including **twenty** authors. For twenty-one or more authors, include the first six, insert three ellipses, then add the last author's name. [9.8]
- Use the ampersand (&) rather than "and" in the author (or editor) entry. [9.8]
- The date of publication (in parenthesis) follows the author's (or editor's) name or title if there is no author (or editor). [9.14]
- Titles of books and names of periodicals are in italics. The first word of the title or subtitle of a book (if any) and any proper nouns are capitalized. Use upper and lower case letters for periodicals [9.19]
- After the title of the journal or magazine, give the volume number in italics. [9.25]
- For electronic version based on a print source (PDF format), provide inclusive page number for the article. For references from newspapers, use pp. before the page numbers.
- Additional information for book, such as editions or volumes, is in parenthesis immediately after the title of the book. [10.2 323]
- Provide the DOI if one has been assigned. When there is a DOI, no further retrieval information is required (no name of database, no date accessed). However, provide the URL of the journal, magazine, newspaper, or book. [9.34]
- Only Cite original content from social media sites [10.15].

APA References Examples (see Chapter Ten)

Note: The following examples have been adjusted to save space. Please see the manual for proper format (page setup, line spacing, margins).

Type of Entry	Examples for References List
Book, one author (or editor) [10.2 (23]	Harris, L. (2007). *The suicide of reason: Radical Islam's threat to the enlightenment.* Basic Books.
Book, two authors (or editors) **Note**: the example also shows an edition other than the first.	Pellegrini, A. D., & Bjorklund, D. F. (1998). *Applied Child Study: A developmental approach* (3rd ed.). Erlbaum.
Essay or chapter in collection or anthology. [10.3 (46)]	Baker, S. L., Patterson, M. D., & Barlow, D. H. (2002). Panic disorder and agoraphobia. In A. M. Martin & D. H. Barlow (Eds.), *Handbook of assessment and treatment planning for psychological disorders* (pp. 67-112). Guilford.
Book with no author or editor [10.3]	*Joint investigations of child abuse: Report of a symposium* (1993). National Institute of Justice.

ELECTRONIC SOURCES

Journal article, with
with issue number and DOI [10.1 (1)].

Talbot, L. S., Hairston, I. S., Eidelman, P., Gruber, J. & Harvey, A. G. (2009). The effect of mood on sleep onset latency and REM sleep in interepisode bipolar disorder. *Journal of Abnormal Psychology, 118*(3)*,* 448-458. https://doi.org/10.1037/a0016605.

Journal article,
Twenty-one or more authors and DOI

Manwaring, J. L., Bryson, S. W., Goldschmidt, A. B., Winzelberg, A. J., Luce, K. H., Cunning, D. Taylor, C. B. Do adherence variables predict outcome in an online program for the prevention of eating disorders? *Journal of Consulting Psychology, 76*(2)*,* 341-346. https://doi.org/10.1037/0022-006X.76.2.341.

Magazine article, no DOI [10.1]

Toufexis, A. (1990, October 8). Living struggling for sanity. *Time, 136,* 47-48. http://www.time.com/time/magazine

Daily newspaper article, no DOI
[10.1]
http://search.boston.com/local/Historic.do

Goldberg, C. (2009, January 19). An evolving view of depression. *Boston Globe,* pp. A11.

Articles from CLDC database [10.1 (13)]

Dunbar, R. (2020). I don't want an avocado for an uncle. Children's Literature Comprehensive Database. http://www.clcd.com.libserv-prd.bridgew.edu/ #/bookdetail/1/10/OepSIhNoJnhqKolk/bdrtop

AUDIO VISUAL MEDIA

Film [10.12 (84)]

Berman, B. (Producer) & Eastwood, C. (Director). (2003). *Mystic River.* Warner Brothers.

ONLINE MEDIA

Blog post [10.1 (17)]

Hayes-Bohanan, James. (2019, December 31). Vertical world. https://www.environmentalgeography.net/2019/12/vertical-world.html

Tweet [10.15 (103)]

Doe, J. [@JaneBDoe]. (2020, January 20). This is an example @Library [Tweet]. Twitter. https://twitter.com/JaneBDoe/stats/10101010101010111

DATA SET

Data set [10.9 (75)]

Tolan, P., Gorman-Smith, D., Henry, D., & Schoeny, M. (2016). Schools and families educating (SAFE) children study [Chicago, IL]: 1997-2008. ICPSR. https://doi.org/10.3886/ICPSR34368.v1

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