How to....

Compile your reference page in APA format

Be sure to read your syllabus carefully. Your Instructor(s) may have different expectations. If you have any questions about the assignment requirements, check with your instructor. This guide provides examples for the most common citations. For additional examples, refer to Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (6th ed.). 2009 or the websites listed at the end of this guide.

1. Reference page format
   - You should include your references on a separate sheet(s) at the end of your paper.
   - The pages should be titled References with the title centered on the page.
   - Each entry should be double-spaced with the second and all subsequent lines for each entry indented.
   - Arrange your entries alphabetically by the first word in each citation. This will usually be the author’s last name. If you have several items by the same author(s), arrange those items by earliest date first.
   - Each in text citation should have a corresponding entry on the References page. There are a few exceptions to this rule for personal communications.

2. Cite a book: 1 author

   Author, 1st initial. 2nd initial if available. (publication date). Title of book italicized. Place published: publisher.

   - Use initials for first and middle names.
   - Use italics for title.
   - Capitalize first letter in title and subtitle if there is one.
   - For place published, list the city and the state. Use the two letter postal abbreviation without periods.
   - For editions other than the first edition, enclose the edition in parenthesis and place at the end of the title, before the period. If the example above was the 3rd edition, the end of the title would read and other visual artists (3rd ed.).

3. Cite an article from a library database: 1 author with doi

   Author, 1st initial. 2nd initial if available. (publication date). Title of article. Title of journal, magazine or newspaper, Volume (Issue), page number-page number. doi: doi number

   - doi:10.1111/j.1475-6781.2007.00102.x
   - Capitalize all proper nouns and the first word of the article title and the subtitle if there is one.
   - Capitalize first letter in first word and all remaining words (not minor words like of, the, an, in) in the journal, magazine or newspaper title and italicize.
   - Doi (digital object identifier) is usually found on the first page of a scholarly article in the header or footer.
4. Cite an article from a library database: multiple authors with doi

5. Cite an article from a library database: no doi

6. Cite an Internet source: with author and date
Author-which can be an individual or a group, association, department. (Date of publication). *Title of document*. Retrieved from http://Web address

   - Use (n.d.) if no date is given.
   - If no author is listed, start entry with article title.
   - If necessary to continue a URL on another line, do so after a /.

7. Cite a YouTube video:
Author or Producer Last Name, Initial first name. Initial middle name if available. (Year, Month Date). *Title of the video* [Video file]. Retrieved from http://www.xxxx.xxx


8. Try these websites for additional examples:

   - Purdue’s Online Writing Lab [http://owl.english.purdue.edu/](http://owl.english.purdue.edu/)
   - Research and Documentation Online (5th ed.) [http://bcs.bedfordstmartins.com/resdoc5e/](http://bcs.bedfordstmartins.com/resdoc5e/)
     from the Writing Center@the University of Wisconsin-Madison.


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