



## AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION (APA) FORMAT (6th Edition, 2009)

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### Journal article with DOI assigned

Liefert, W., Lerman, Z., Gardner, B., & Serova, E. (2005). Agricultural labor in Russia: Efficiency and profitability. *Review of Agricultural Economics*, 27(3), 412-417. doi:10.1111/j.1467-9353.2005.00237.x

### Journal article without DOI assigned, found in library database

Cooper, L. (2009). Human voices: Language and conscience in Twain's A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court. *Canadian Review of American Studies*, 39(1), 65-84. Retrieved from EBSCO MegaFile database.

### Magazine article without DOI assigned, found in library database

Hubbard, L. (2009, May 11). Surging demand for defunct energy drink. *Convenience Store News*, 45(6), 16. Retrieved August 4, 2009, from EBSCO MegaFILE database.

### Magazine article without DOI assigned, with no author, found in library database

Car phones unsafe at any speed. (1996, July). *Safety & Health*, 154(1), 102. Retrieved from Academic Search Premier database.

### Article freely available from the publisher (This is an example of the page number not given)

Roundtree, C., & Huglen, M. (2004). The rhetoric of Bush's war on evil. *KB Journal*, 1(1). Retrieved from <http://kbjournal.org/nextphase>

### Journal article with DOI assigned and more than seven authors

Besselmann, D., Schaub, D., Wenker, C., Vollm, J., Robert, N., Schelling, C., ... Clauss, M. (2008). Juvenile mortality in captive lesser Kudu (*Tragelaphus imberbis*) at Basle Zoo and its relation to nutrition and husbandry. *Journal of Zoo and Wildlife Medicine*, 39(1), 86-91. doi:10.1638 /2007-0004.1

### Edited book

Letheridge, S., & Cannon, C. R. (Eds.). (1980). *Bilingual education*. New York: Praeger.

### Book (two authors)

Strunk, W., & White, E. B. (1979). *The elements of style* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). New York: Macmillan.

### Article or chapter in an edited book (print)

Sheets, B. (2006). The cost of lingering arm injuries. In B. Selig, & W. Selig (Eds.). *A compilation of long stories* (pp. 211-234). Milwaukee, WI: MB Press.

### **Chapter or section in an Internet document**

Thompson, G. (2003). Youth coach handbook. In *Joe Soccer*. Retrieved September 17, 2004, from <http://www.joesoccer.com/menu.html>

### **Doctoral dissertation, from a commercial database**

Olsen, G. W. (1985). *Campus child care within the public supported post-secondary educational institutions in the state of Wisconsin* (Doctoral dissertation). Available from ProQuest Dissertations and Theses database. (Publication No. AAT 8528441)

### **Online reference work**

Poi (food). (2009). In *Wikipedia*. Retrieved August 3, 2009 from [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main\\_Page](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page)

### **Video Blog Post**

Redbone, L. (n.d.). Seduced – Leon Redbone. [Video file]. Retrieved from <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5RSQ1JSwP24>

### **Online document with government author**

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. (2001). *Glacial habitat restoration areas*. Retrieved from <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/wildlife/hunt/hra.htm>

### **Personal communications**

Personal communications may be things such as email messages, interviews, speeches, and telephone conversations. Because the information is not retrievable they should not appear in the reference list. They should look as follows: Example: S. Shirley (personal communication, September 20, 2008) indicated that .... **or** In a recent interview (S. Shirley, personal communication, September 20, 2000) I learned that ....

### **Citation of a work discussed in a secondary source**

To cite secondary sources, refer to both sources in the text, but include in the References list only the source that you actually used. For example, suppose you read Fielder (2008) and would like to paraphrase the following sentence within that article: Braun (2008) defined bat speed as "the ability to catch up to a baseball with a moving bat" (p. 11).

In this case, the in-text citation would be: (Braun, 2008, as cited in Fielder, 2008).

Fielder (2008) would be fully referenced within the list of References.

### **Reference citations in text**

To refer to an item in the list of references from the text, an author-date method should be used. That is, use the surname of the author (without suffixes) and the year of the publication in the text at appropriate points.

*Example:* Researchers have indicated that more is expected of students in higher education (Hudson, 2001, p. 8) and secondary education (Taylor & Hornung, 2002, p.31).

#### One author

Issac (2001) indicated in his research..

In a recent study, research indicates (Isaac, 2001)

#### Two or more authors

When a work has two authors, always cite both names every time the reference occurs. For works with three, four, or five authors, cite all authors the first time the reference occurs. In subsequent citations, include only the last name of the first author followed by et al.

Specific parts of a source

(Yount & Molitor, 1982, p. 19)

(Cooper, 1983, chap. 4)

When a work has no authors

Cite in text the first few words of what appears first for the entry on the list (usually the title) and the year.

("New Student Center," 2002)

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