

APA Format: The Reference Page

General Reference Page Guidelines

- Cite every author used in the paper.
- Double space citations just like the rest of the paper.
- Alphabetical order by lead author's last name or editor's last name.
- Indent every line after the first line on each entry (hanging indents).
- Only capitalize the first word in the title and subtitle, and any proper nouns.
- Avoid using articles that are neither academic nor peer reviewed unless your professor indicates otherwise.
- DOI: digital object identifier
 - If an article is accessed through an online database (PsycInfo, EbscoHost), then include the doi.
- Websites:
 - APA stipulates to include the URL (sometimes it depends on professor preference).

Sample citations of most commonly used references in research papers:

Periodicals:

- Includes journals, magazines, newspapers, and newsletters. These are either online or in print format. This is the most commonly used reference.
- **Print journal article:**

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (year). Title of article. *Title of Periodical*, volume number(issue number), pp-pp.

Light, M.A., & Light, I.H. (2008). The geographic expansion of Mexican immigration in the United States and its implications for local law enforcement. *Law Enforcement Executive Forum Journal*, 8(1), 73-82.

- **Online journal article:**

Author, A.A., Author, B.B., & Author, C.C. (year). Title of article. *Title of Periodical*, volume number(issue number), #-#. doi:xx.xxxxxxx

Herbst-Damm, K.L., & Kulik, J.A. (2005). Volunteer support, marital status, and the survival times of terminally ill patients. *Health Psychology*, 24, 225-229. doi:10.1037/0278-6133.24.2.225

- **Online newspaper article:**

Author, A. A. (year, month day). Title of article. *Title of Newspaper*. Retrieved from
<http://www.webaddress.com/full/url/>

Brody, J.E. (2007, December 11). Mental reserves keep brain agile. *The New York Times*.
Retrieved from <http://www.nytimes.com>

Books, reference books, and book chapters:

- **Entire book, print version:**

Author, A.A. (year). *Title of work*. Location: publisher.

Shotton, M.A. (1989). *Computer addiction? A study of computer dependency*. London, England:
Taylor & Francis.

- **Book chapter, print version:**

Author, A.A., & Author, B.B. (year). Title of chapter or entry. In A. Editor & B. Editor
(Eds.), *Title of Book* (pp. #-#). Location: Publisher.

Haybron, D.M. (2008). Philosophy and the science of subjective well-being. In M. Eid & R.J.
Larsen (Eds.), *The science of subjective well-being* (pp. 17-43). New York, NY:
Guildford Press.

Audiovisual media:

- **Video (motion picture):**

Producer, A.A. (Producer), & Director, B.B. (Director). (Year). *Title of motion picture* [Motion
Picture]. Country of origin: Studio.

Bevan, Tim (Producer), & Wright, Joe (Director). (2005). *Pride and Prejudice* [Motion Picture].
United Kingdom: Focus Features.