

## APA Reference Guide

To reference a source correctly, you need to know what type it is. The following patterns cover some of the most common types and show how the source should be expressed in your reference list. For help with in-text citations, see the documents on referencing quotes. The information below comes from the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* (APA for short). For more patterns and details, go to the APA website: [www.apastyle.apa.org](http://www.apastyle.apa.org)

<b>How To Reference Sources With DOIs and URLs</b>	
<b>What does DOI mean?</b>	DOI stands for “ <i>digital object identifier</i> ... a unique alphanumeric string that identifies content and provides a persistent link to its location on the internet” (APA, 2020, p. 298).
<b>What does URL mean?</b>	URL stands for “ <i>uniform resource locator</i> ... [and] specifies the location of digital information on the internet” (APA, 2020, p. 298).
<b>How do I format DOIs and URLs?</b>	<p>Follow these rules (APA, 2020, pp. 299–300):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start the address with http:// or https://</li> <li>• Do not add the words “Retrieved from” or “Accessed from” before the hyperlink (see Dictionary entry on page 5 for an exception).</li> <li>• The hyperlink can be in “blue font, underlined or plain text that is not underlined.”</li> <li>• “Links should be live [in blue font, underlined] if the work is to be published or read online.”</li> <li>• “Do not add a [full stop] after the DOI or URL because it may interfere with link functionality.”</li> <li>• “Do not add line breaks manually to the hyperlink; it is acceptable if your word-processing program automatically adds a break or moves the hyperlink to its own line.”</li> </ul>

<b>Journal article with a DOI (10.1.1, p. 317)</b>	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s., & Surname, Initial/s of author/s. (Year of publication). Name of article. <i>Title of journal in italics</i> , # of journal in italics, page numbers the whole article covers. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1037/0278-6133.24.2.225">https://doi + numbers with no full stop</a>
<b>Example</b>	Herbst-Damm, K. L., & Kulik, J. A. (2005). Volunteer support, marital status, and the survival times of terminally ill patients. <i>Health Psychology</i> , 24, 225–229. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1037/0278-6133.24.2.225">https://doi.org/10.1037/0278-6133.24.2.225</a>

<b>Journal, magazine, or newspaper without a DOI, from most academic research databases or print version (10.1.3, p. 317)</b>	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s., & Surname, Initial/s of author/s (Year of publication). Name of article. <i>Title of journal, magazine, or newspaper in italics</i> , volume # of journal in italics(issue # of journal, not in italics), page numbers the article covers.
<b>Examples</b>	Jurewicz, J. (2015, September 1). Is Western Australia ready for driverless cars? <i>The Sunday Times</i> . <a href="https://www.perthnow.com.au/news/wa/is-western-australia-ready-for-driverless-cars-ngfa26c7716c)be8e2f0dbdf411c36f0cd/">https://www.perthnow.com.au/news/wa/is-western-australia-ready-for-driverless-cars-ngfa26c7716c)be8e2f0dbdf411c36f0cd/</a>  Thomas-Tate, S., Daugherty, T. K., & Bartkoski, T. J. (2017). Experimental study of gender effects on language use in college students' email to faculty. <i>College Student Journal</i> , 51(2), 222–226.

<b>Authored book with a DOI (10.2.20, p. 321)</b>	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s., & Surname, Initial/s of author/s. (Year of publication). <i>Title of book in italics</i> (# edition if there is one.). Publisher. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1037/0000092-000">https://doi + numbers with no full stop</a>
<b>Example</b>	Brown, L. S. (2018). <i>Feminist therapy</i> (2nd ed.). American Psychological Association. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1037/0000092-000">https://doi.org/10.1037/0000092-000</a>

<b>Authored book without a DOI, from most academic research databases or print version (10.2.21, p. 321)</b> (Do not include the database name or URL.)	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s., & Surname, Initial/s of author/s. (Year of publication). <i>Title of book in italics</i> (# edition if there is one.). Publisher.
<b>Example</b>	Wood, J., Zeffane, R., Fromholtz, M., Wiesner, R., Morrison, R., Factor, A., & McKeown, T. (2016). <i>Organisational behaviour: Core concepts and applications</i> (4th ed.). John Wiley & Sons Australia, Ltd.

<b>Authored ebook (e.g., Kindle book) or audiobook without a DOI, with a nondatabase URL (10.2.22, p. 321)</b>	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s., & Surname, Initial/s of author/s. (Year of publication). <i>Title of book in italics</i> (Initial. Surname of narrator, Narr.). [Audiobook]. Publisher. URL
<b>Example</b>	Cain, S. (2012). <i>Quiet: The power of introverts in a world that can't stop talking</i> (K. Mazur, Narr.) [Audiobook]. Random House Audio.  <a href="http://bit.ly/2GOBpbl">http://bit.ly/2GOBpbl</a>

<b>Dictionary, thesaurus, or encyclopedia (10.2.33, p. 324)</b> "When an online reference work is continually updated and the versions are not archived, use 'n.d.' as the year of publication and include a retrieval date."	
<b>Pattern</b>	Name of author [sometimes publisher]. (Year of publication). <i>Title of book in italics</i> (# edition if there is one.). Retrieval date if needed [see comment above], from URL
<b>Example</b>	Merriam-Webster. (n.d.). <i>Merriam-Webster.com dictionary</i> . Retrieved May 5, 2019, from <a href="https://www.merriam-webster.com/">https://www.merriam-webster.com/</a>

<b>Religious work (10.2.35, p. 325)</b>	
<b>Pattern</b>	<i>Title of work in italics</i> (# edition if there is one.). (Year of publication). Publisher. URL if needed (Original work published + year) with no full stop
<b>Examples</b>	<i>King James Bible</i> . (2017). King James Bible Online.  <a href="https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/">https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/</a> (Original work published 1769)

<b>Chapter in an edited book with a DOI (10.3.38, p. 326)</b>	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s., & Surname, Initial/s of author/s. (Year of publication). Name of the chapter. In Initial/s. Surname & Initial/s. Surname of editor/s (Ed. or Eds.), <i>Title of book in italics</i> (# edition if there is one., page numbers the whole chapter covers). Publisher. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1037/0000119-012">https://doi + numbers with no full stop</a>
<b>Example</b>	Balsam, K. F., Martell, C. R., Jones, K. P., & Safren, S. A. (2019). Affirmative cognitive behavior therapy with sexual and gender minority people. In G. Y. Iwamasa & P. A. Hays (Eds.), <i>Culturally responsive cognitive behavior therapy: Practice and supervision</i> (2nd ed., pp. 287–314.) American Psychological Association. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1037/0000119-012">https://doi.org/10.1037/0000119-012</a>

<b>Chapter in an edited book without a DOI, from most academic research databases or print version (10.3.39, p. 326)</b>	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s., & Surname, Initial/s of author/s. (Year of publication). Name of the chapter. In Initial/s. Surname & Initial/s. Surname of editor/s (Ed. Or Eds.), <i>Title of book in italics</i> (# edition if there is one., page numbers the whole chapter covers). Publisher.
<b>Example</b>	Tibbetts, G. R. (2009). Arab navigation in the archipelago. In T. Hellwig & E. Tagliacozzo (Eds.), <i>The Indonesia reader: History, culture, politics</i> (pp. 48–53). Duke University Press.

<b>Work in an anthology (10.2.46, p. 328)</b>	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s of writer/poet. (Year of publication). Name of work. In Initial/s. Surname & Initial/s. Surname of editor/s (Ed. or Eds.), <i>Title of book in italics</i> (page numbers the prose/poem covers). Publisher. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1037/0000119-012">https://doi + numbers, if needed, with no full stop</a> (Original work published + year) with no full stop
<b>Example</b>	Timbery, J. (2009). The boomerang racket. In N. Jose (Ed.), <i>Macquarie pen anthology of Australian literature</i> (pp. 577–578). Allen & Unwin. (Original work published 1968)

<b>Report by a government agency or other organisation</b> (10.2.50, p. 329)	
<b>Pattern</b>	Name of organisation. (Year of publication). <i>Title of report in italics</i> . URL with no full stop
<b>Example</b>	Australian Government Productivity Commission & New Zealand Productivity Commission. (2012). <i>Strengthening trans-Tasman economic relations</i> . <a href="https://www.pc.gov.au/inquiries/completed/australia-new-zealand/report/trans-tasman.pdf">https://www.pc.gov.au/inquiries/completed/australia-new-zealand/report/trans-tasman.pdf</a>

<b>Test, scale, or inventory</b> (10.11.82, p. 340)	
<b>Pattern</b>	Name of organisation. (Year of publication). <i>Title of test, scale, or inventory in italics</i> . URL with no full stop
<b>Example</b>	Project Implicit. (n.d.). <i>Gender-Science IAT</i> . <a href="https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/takeatest.html">https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/takeatest.html</a>

<b>TED Talk</b> (10.12.88, pp. 343–344)	
“When the TED Talk comes from TED’s website, use the name of the speaker as the author. When the TED Talk is on YouTube, list the owner of the YouTube account as the author to aid in retrieval.”	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial. of speaker. (Year, month of publication). <i>Title of talk in italics</i> [Video]. Name of site. URL with no full stop
<b>Example</b>	Giertz, S. (2018, April). <i>Why you should make useless things</i> [Video]. TED Conferences. <a href="https://www.ted.com/talks/simone_giertz_why_you_should_make_useless_things">https://www.ted.com/talks/simone_giertz_why_you_should_make_useless_things</a>

<b>YouTube video or other streaming video</b> (10.12.90, p. 344) “The person or group who uploaded the video is credited as the author for retrievability, even if they did not create the work. Note the contributions of others who appear in the video in the text narrative if desired.”	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial. of person who uploaded the video. (Year, month + day of publication). <i>Title of video in italics</i> [Video]. Name of site. URL with no full stop
<b>Example</b>	Fogarty, M. [Grammar Girl]. (2016, September 30). <i>How to diagram a sentence (absolute basics)</i> [Video]. YouTube.  <a href="https://youtu.be/deiEY5Yq1ql">https://youtu.be/deiEY5Yq1ql</a>

<b>Clip art, stock image, infographic, map, or photograph</b> (10.14.98-101, pp. 346–347) “For an untitled photograph, include a description in square brackets in place of a title.”	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s., & Surname, Initial/s of author/s. (Year of publication). <i>Title of work in italics</i> [Clip art, Infographic, Map, or Photograph]. Name of publisher/organisation if different from author. URL with no full stop
<b>Example</b>	Parsons, Z. (2014). <i>These 9 maps reveal the differences in regional American dialects: What is your “general” term for the headwear of a baseball player?</i> [Map]. <a href="https://i.somethingawful.com/u/elpintogrande/14_june/dialect_maps/02_hat.jpg">https://i.somethingawful.com/u/elpintogrande/14_june/dialect_maps/02_hat.jpg</a>

<b>PowerPoint slides or lecture notes</b> (10.14.102, p. 347) “If the slides come from a classroom website, learning management system (e.g. Canvas, Blackboard), or company intranet and you are writing for an audience with access to that resource, provide the name of the site and its URL ... .”	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s of author. (Year, month + day of publication). <i>Title of slides/lecture in italics</i> [PowerPoint slides or Lecture notes]. Name of organisation/department if different from author. URL with no full stop
<b>Example</b>	Dench, A. M. (2019, February 6). <i>Morphology: The words of language</i> [PowerPoint slides]. LN101: Seminar 2, Sheridan College Canvas Online. <a href="http://canvas.sheridan.edu.au/courses/179">http://canvas.sheridan.edu.au/courses/179</a>

<b>Webpage on a website with an individual author</b> (10.16.112, p. 351)	
<b>Pattern</b>	Surname, Initial/s of author. (Year, month + day of publication). <i>Name of article in italics</i> . Name of organisation if different from author. URL with no full stop
<b>Example</b>	Martin Lillie, C. M. (2016, December 29). <i>Be kind to yourself: How self-compassion can improve your resiliency</i> . Mayo Clinic. <a href="https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/adult-health/in-depth/self-compassion-can-improve-your-resiliency/art-20267193">https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/adult-health/in-depth/self-compassion-can-improve-your-resiliency/art-20267193</a>

<b>Personal communications:</b> (8.9, p. 260) “emails, text messages, online chats ..., telephone conversations, live speeches, unrecorded classroom lectures, memos, letters, ...”	
<b>Pattern</b>	Information from the sources listed under personal communications “cannot be recovered by readers,” so include an in-text citation but not a reference list entry.
<b>Example (in-text citation)</b>	According to Wong, the latest APA style manual is now available (2019, December 15, personal communication).

<b>Quotations from research participants</b> (8.36, p. 278)	
<b>Pattern</b>	“Because quotations from research participants are part of your original research, do not include them in the reference list or treat them as personal communications.”  Instead, treat them as either short or block (more than 40 words) direct quotes. “You may need to assign participants a pseudonym” to protect their identity.
<b>Example (in-text citation)</b>	One participant, a 20-year-old student at Sheridan Institute of Higher Education, said the Academic Writing module was “the most helpful class he’d taken in years!”

## References

American Psychological Association. (2020). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th ed.). Author.