



Citation Basics





Why do we cite?

- Builds Trust
- Gives Credit
- Shows Thorough Research
- Enables Verification
- Engages in Scholarly Dialogue
- Prevents Plagiarism





Always cite a source if you use it in your work, whether you quote it directly or put it into your own words.





What are the main elements of an APA citation?

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de Geus et al. *BMC Public Health* (2022) 22:875
https://doi.org/10.1186/s12889-022-13295-6

Date → (2022) 22:875

Source → BMC Public Health

RESEARCH **Open Access**

Check for updates

Title → Return to work factors and vocational rehabilitation interventions for long-term, partially disabled workers: a modified Delphi study among vocational rehabilitation professionals

Author → Christa J. C. de Geus^{1,2}, Maaïke A. Huysmans^{1,2*}, H. Jolanda van Rijssen^{1,2,3} and Johannes R. Anema^{1,2}

Abstract
Background: Long-term disability has a great impact on both society and workers with disabilities. Little is known

Reference Elements: Who, When, What, Where?





Formatting Reference List Entries

- Put information in the reference in order of author, date, title, and source
- Place periods after the reference elements
- Don't use a period after the DOI or URL to avoid breaking the link





Identify Source Type

Is it a:

Journal, magazine, or
newspaper article

Book or EBook

Book chapter

Report

Dissertation or thesis

Film

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Identify the source so that you know
which citation format to follow





Two Reference Formats

If you're citing a standalone item
then the title of that item is italicized.

If you're citing an item that is part of
a larger whole, then the source is
italicized, not the title.





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A Report	Journal/Magazine/Newspaper Article
TV Series or Film	TV Episodes





Citation Examples

Article

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (Year). Title of article. *Title of Periodical, volume number*(issue number), pages.
<https://doi.org/xx.xxx/yyyy>

Book

Author, A. A. (Year of publication). *Title of work: Capital letter also for subtitle*. Publisher Name. DOI (if available)





Citation Examples

Article

Rennels, J. L., & Kayl, A.J. (2020). Infants and adults represent faces differently. *Developmental Psychology*, 56(1), 1-14. <https://doi.org/10.1037/>

Book

Burrow, J., & Bosiljevac, J. (2012). *Marketing*. (3rd ed.). South-Western Cengage Learning.





DOIs and URLs

- DOI: a unique alphanumeric string assigned by a publisher
- If a work has a DOI, **ALWAYS** include it, even if you used the print version
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In-Text Citation = Author + Year

- Cite every reference list entry in the text and vice versa.
- Use the author and year of publication in the reference list entry to create a corresponding in-text citation.
- In general, do NOT include URLs in the text.

Reference list entry:	Alexander, P. A. (2018). Past as prologue: Educational psychology's legacy and progeny. <i>Journal of Educational Psychology</i> , 110(2), 147–162. https://doi.org/10.1037/edu0000200
Paraphrasing citation:	(Alexander, 2018)
Narrative citation:	Alexander (2018)





Content from the APA style team

Video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gmZlfLX_qs8





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