

How To Write References in APA

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Books

Important Elements:

Author (last name, initials only for first & middle names)

Publication date

Title (in italics; capitalize only the first word of title and subtitle, and proper nouns)

Place of publication

Publisher

Example: Rollin, B. E. (2006). *Science and ethics*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Articles from Print Periodicals (magazines, journals, and newspapers)

Important Elements:

Author (last name, initials only for first & middle names)

Date of publication of article (year and month for monthly publications; year, month and day for daily or weekly publications)

Title of article (capitalize only the first word of title and subtitle, and proper nouns)

Title of publication in italics (i.e., *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*, *Newsweek*, *New York Times*)

Volume number in italics and issue number, if given

Page numbers of article

Swedin, E. G. (2006, May/June). Designing babies: A eugenics race with China? *The Futurist*, 40, 18-21.

Articles in Online Journals, Magazines and Newspapers

Important Elements:

Author (last name, initials only for first & middle names)

Date of publication of article

Title of article

Title of publication (in italics)

Volume and issue number (for scholarly journals, if given)

Page numbers, if given

McCarthy, M. (2004, May 24). Only nuclear power can now halt global warming. *Earthtimes*. Retrieved from <http://www.earthtimes.org>

Web Sites

Important Elements:

Author (if known)

Date of publication, copyright date, or date of last update

Title of Web site (in italics)

Date you accessed the information (APA recommends including this if the information is likely to change)

URL (Web address) of the site

Penn State myths. (2006). Retrieved December 6, 2011, from <http://www.psu.edu/ur/about/myths.html>

Electronic books

Important Elements:

Author (last name, initials only for first & middle names)

Publication date

Title (in italics; capitalize only the first word of title and subtitle, and proper nouns)

Place of publication

Publisher

URL (Web address) of the site from which you accessed the book

Post, E. (1923). *Etiquette in society, in business, in politics, and at home*. New York, NY: Funk & Wagnalls. Retrieved from <http://books.google.com/books>.

Entry in an Online Reference Work

Important Elements:

Author

Publication date

Title of entry

Editors

Title of reference work (in italics)

Retrieval statement with URL

Rey, G. (2006). Behaviorism. In D. M. Borcherdt (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of philosophy*. (2nd ed.). Retrieved from <http://go.galegroup.com/>

Motion Picture (film, video, DVD)

Important Elements:

Director

Date of release

Title (in italics)

Country where motion picture was made

Studio

Branagh, K. (Director). (2015). *Cinderella*. [Motion Picture]. United States, Walt Disney Studios Pictures

Television Program

Important Elements:

Producer

Date of broadcast

Title of television episode

Title of series (in italics)

Location of network and network name

Buckner, N. & Whittlesey, R. (Writers, Producers & Directors). (2006). Dogs and more dogs. [Television series episode]. In P. Apsell (Senior Executive Producer), *NOVA*. Boston: WGBH.