

Quick Guide for Citations and References

This quick reference guide is prepared to help authors accurately cite sources according to the APA 7th Edition style. The citation formats and examples provided here are tailored for the most common types of academic sources submitted to our journal.

In the paper, peer-reviewed journal articles and scholarly books should be the primary sources cited, as they are more credible. Other sources should be used sparingly, only when they provide official or unique information. Sources must be current, reliable, and academically credible.

Authors are strongly encouraged to follow the models in this guide. In cases not explicitly covered here, we recommend consulting the full APA Publication Manual (7th edition) or the official APA Style website:

<https://apastyle.apa.org/style-grammar-guidelines/references>

Please ensure all references are accurate, complete, and formatted before submission.

APA 7 In-Text Citation Guidelines

1. One Author

- **Narrative citation:** The author's name appears as part of the sentence.
Smith (2020) argues that mathematics should be integrated into real-world tasks.
 - **Parenthetical citation:** The author's name and year appear in parentheses.
(Smith, 2020)
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2. Two Authors

- Always cite **both authors**.
 - Use “**and**” in narrative form; “**&**” in parentheses.
 - **Narrative:**
Brown and Taylor (2018) found significant differences between the groups.
 - **Parenthetical:**
(Brown & Taylor, 2018)
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3. Three or More Authors

- **Always cite the first author** followed by “**et al.**”
 - Use this format **from the first citation onward**.
 - **Narrative:**
Johnson et al. (2019) suggested a new framework for inclusive education.
 - **Parenthetical:**
(Johnson et al., 2019)
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4. Group or Organization as Author

- **First citation:** Use full name of the group.
The American Psychological Association (APA, 2017) or (American Psychological Association [APA], 2017)
 - **Subsequent citations:** Use abbreviation.
APA (2017) or (APA, 2017)
 - If no abbreviation is available, repeat full name.
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5. Multiple citations

Place multiple citations in **alphabetical order**, separated by semicolons:

(Jones, 2019; Kumar et al., 2020; Smith, 2018)

- For **direct quotations**, include **page numbers**:
(Schoenfeld, 2013, p. 15)

APA 7 Reference List Guidelines

- **Hanging indent** for each reference (first line flush left, following lines indented)
- Alphabetize by **first author's last name**
- Use **italics** for book and journal titles
- Use Doi links instead of just numbers
- Use original English title of the work; if not, provide English translations of the titles in **square brackets** immediately after the original titles of non-English sources
 - Author, A. A. (Year). *Original title in native language* [English translation]. Publisher.

1. Books

Format:

Last Name, A. A. (Year). *Title of the book: Subtitle if any*. Publisher.

Example:

Boaler, J. (2016). *Mathematical mindsets: Unleashing students' potential through creative math*. Jossey-Bass.

2. Book Chapter with Editor(s)

Format:

Last Name, A. A. (Year). Title of the chapter. In A. A. Editor, B. B. Editor, & C. C. Editor (Ed(s).) *Title of the book: Subtitle if any* (pp. xx-xx). Publisher.

Example:

McCormack, B., McCance, T., & Maben, J. (2013). Outcome evaluation in the development of person-centred practice. In B. McCormack, K. Manley, & A. Titchen (Eds.), *Practice development in nursing and healthcare* (pp. 190-211). John Wiley & Sons.

3. Journal Articles

Format:

Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). Title of the article. *Title of the Journal, volume number*(issue number), page range or article number. <https://doi.org/xxxxx>

Example:

Byrd, D. R., & Alexander, M. (2020). Investigating special education teachers' knowledge and skills: Preparing general teacher preparation for professional development. *Journal of Pedagogical Research, 4*(2), 72-82. <https://doi.org/10.33902/JPR.2020059790>

Acuyo Cespedes, A. (2025). Pedagogical shifts in the age of GenAI: Faculty perspectives from a higher education context. *Journal of Pedagogical Sociology and Psychology, 7*(3), 35-48.

<https://doi.org/10.33902/jpsp.202537244>

Crisolo, O. R., Camposano, S., & Rogayan, D. V. (2021). Relevance of social studies in the 21st century society: Students' perspectives. *International Journal of Didactical Studies, 2*(1), 101457.

<https://doi.org/10.33902/IJODS.2021169729>

4. Webpages

Format:

Author, A. A. (Year, Month Day). Title of the webpage. *Website Name*. URL

Example:

Kim, B. (2001). Social constructivism. *Emerging Perspectives on Learning, Teaching, and Technology*. <http://projects.coe.uga.edu/epltt/>

Kennedy, M. (2018, October 15). To prevent wildfires, PG&E pre-emptively cuts power to thousands in California. *NPR*. <https://www.npr.org/2018/10/15/657468903/to-prevent-wildfires...>

5. Reports & Grey Literature

Format:

Author, A. A. (Year). *Title of report* (Report No. xxx if available). Publisher. URL

Example:

Smith, A. (2004). *Making mathematics count: The report of Professor Adrian Smith's inquiry into post-14 mathematics education*. The Stationery Office. <https://dera.ioe.ac.uk/4873/>

6. Theses / Dissertations

Format (online):

Author, A. A. (Year). *Title of thesis* (Publication No.) [Master's thesis or Doctoral dissertation, University Name]. Database or Archive Name. URL

Kabir, J. M. (2016). *Factors influencing customer satisfaction at a fast food hamburger chain: The relationship between customer satisfaction and customer loyalty* (Publication No. 10169573) [Doctoral dissertation, Wilmington University]. ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global.

KAradağ, E. (2017). *A thematic and methodological reviewing on doctoral thesis which made at the area of education sciences in Turkey: A case study* (Publication no. 250896) [Doctoral dissertation, Marmara University]. Council of Higher Education Thesis Center.

7. Unpublished Thesis or Dissertation (Not in a database or online)

Format:

Author, A. A. (Year). *Title of thesis or dissertation* [Unpublished doctoral dissertation or Unpublished master's thesis]. University Name.

Harris, L. (2014). *Instructional leadership perceptions and practices of elementary school leaders* [Unpublished doctoral dissertation]. University of Virginia.

Müller, A. (2020). *Einfluss digitaler Medien auf das Lernverhalten* [The influence of digital media on learning behavior] [Unpublished master's thesis]. Universität Hamburg.

8. Conference Papers

8.1. Published Conference Paper with Editors

Format:

Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). Title of paper. In E. E. Editor & F. F. Editor (Eds.), *Title of proceedings* (pp. xx–xx). Publisher. <https://doi.org/xxxxxx> (if available)

Example:

Nathan, M. J., Walkington, C., & Swart, M. I. (2022, June). Designs for grounded and embodied mathematical learning. In Chinn, C., Tan, E., Chan, C., & Kali, Y. (Eds.). *Proceedings of the 16th International Conference of the Learning Sciences-ICLS2022* (pp. 179-186). International Society of the Learning Sciences.

8.2. Unpublished Conference Presentation

Format:

Author, A. A. (Year, Month). Title of presentation [Paper presentation]. Name of Conference, Location.

Example:

Jackson, G. T., Zapata-Rivera, D., Liu, L., & Vezzu, M. (2015, April). *Evaluating conversation patterns to elicit evidence of students' science reasoning skills* [Paper presentation]. Annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), Chicago, IL.

9. Groups or Organizations

Format:

Organization Name. (2017). *Title of the work*. URL or doi.

Example:

American Psychological Association. (2017). *Understanding and overcoming opioid abuse*. <https://www.apa.org/topics/substance-use-abuse-addiction/opioid-abuse>