APA Style

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Using In-text Citations
APA style uses an author-date system for parenthetical references, and each reference cited in-text must be included in the reference list. The author’s last name and the year of publication are cited either within the text, or in a parenthetical reference:

Johnson (2005) investigated infant perception… In 2005, Johnson’s study of infant perception…
Another study of infant perception (Johnson, 2005), showed… …according to a recent study (Johnson, 2005).

Incorporate direct quotations under 40 words into the text and enclose with double quotation marks. Place the citation after the quotation marks and before any punctuation; include the page number after author and year. For quotations of 40 words or more, use no quotation marks, offset the quotation with a half-inch indent, and start it on a new line. Place the parenthetical reference after the final punctuation mark. For indirect quotations, provide the page number or paragraph number when possible.

Preparing the References List
Every source cited in the text must appear in the references list, and vice versa. Begin the references list at the top of a new page with the title References, capitalized and centered. Double space the list and use a hanging indent of a half-inch. Arrange entries alphabetically by last name of author.

At the end of each entry, include the Digital Object Identifier (DOI) whenever available, for both print and online sources. If no DOI is available, for electronic resources provide the home page URL of the journal or book publisher, which may differ from the database where you retrieved the article. For more information on using DOIs, see the complete manual (section 6.31, p.187).

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Single author · DOI available

In-text citation: (Johnson, 2005)

Two authors · Journal with separate pagination · No DOI available

In-text citation: (Cox & Cox, 2001, 95)

Three to five authors

In-text citation: For the first in-text citation, list all authors’ names: (Heath, Schwindt-Bayer, & Taylor-Robinson, 2005) For subsequent in-text citations, use the first author’s last name followed by et al.: (Heath et al., 2005)

Six or seven authors

In-text citation: (Elliott et al., 2001)

Eight or more authors

In-text citation: (Mariage et al., 2009, 68)
### Magazine Articles


**In-text citation:** (Silvers, 1996)

**Online magazine article · No author · Editorial section**


**In-text citation:** (“How to Feed,” 2009)

### Newspaper Articles

**No author**


**In-text citation:** (“The Facts,” 2010)

**Online newspaper article**


**In-text citation:** (Tabuchi, 2010)

### Books

**Single author**


**In-text citation:** (Hochschild, 1983)

**Edition other than the first**


**In-text citation:** (Guthrie, 2009)

**Edited book**


**In-text citation:** (Kimmel, Hearn, & Connel, 2005)  
**Subsequent citations:** (Kimmel et al., 2005)

**Chapter in an edited book**


**In-text citation:** (Franklin, Piacentini, & D’Olio, 2007)  
**Subsequent citations:** (Franklin et al., 2007)

**Entry in an online reference book**


**In-text citation:** (Martin & Harper, 2008)

### Working Papers

**Published as a report or part of a series**


**In-text citation:** (Conley & Rauscher, 2010)

### Websites

**Webpage**


**In-text citation:** (“Governance,” 2010)