# APA: Citing Sources in American Psychological Association Style

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## Citing Sources in APA Citation Style

### Citing Web Pages

**General Format**

- **Author, A. A. (Year). Title of webpage: Subtitle. Retrieved Month Day, Year, from Source**

- **Personal web site with title name**

- **Personal web site with no title or date**

- **Organization web site**

### Citing Media

#### Films and videos - Producer/Director, A. (Producer/Director) & Producer/Director, B.

**General Format**

- **(Producer/Director). (Year). Title of film or video recording [Motion picture]. Country of origin: Movie studio.**

- **Video recording**

- **DVD**

#### Sound recordings - Writer, A. (Date of copyright). Title of song [Recorded by artist if different from writer]. On Title of album [Medium of recording: CD, record, cassette, etc.]. Location: Label. (Recording date if different from copyright date).

- **Specific song on a CD**

### Citing Articles from Print Journals, Magazines and Newspapers

#### Journal - Author, A. A., & Author, B. B.

**General Format**

- **(Year). Title of article: Subtitle. Title of Journal, volume (issue), page numbers.**

- **Continuous pagination through each volume**

- **Each numbered issue begins with page 1**

#### Magazine - Author, A. A.

**General Format**

- **if named or Article title if no author. (Year, Month Day). Title of article if not given. Title of Magazine, volume if given, page numbers.**

- **Consecutive pages; author named**

- **Non-consecutive pages; no author named**

#### Newspaper - Author if named or Article title if no author.

**General Format**

- **(Year, Month Day). Title of article if not given before. Title of Newspaper, p/pp. nn-nn.**

- **Newspaper**
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### Lecture - General Format

Speaker, A. A. (Year, Month Day). *Lecture title*. Course, Location.


### Reviews - General Format

Review author. (Year, Month Day as needed). Review title [Review of the medium *Title of item reviewed: Subtitle*. *Title of Periodical, volume* (issue), page numbers.

Untitled book review in journal; each issue begins on page 1


### Personal Communication

Personal communication (e-mails, personal interviews and telephone conversations) are not included in the reference list. Cite the personal communication in the text, and include the author’s initials in addition to the author’s last name and provide a date as specific as possible.

### Government Publication - General Format

Author or Agency. (Year). *Title of document* (Report number). Location: Publisher.


### Citing Articles Full-Text from Library Databases

New APA electronic citation guideline (2007): If you are citing an electronic article that has been published in its final form in a database, the retrieval date is omitted from the citation. All articles in full-text databases are in final form.

### Full-Text Library databases


**Academic Search Premier**


**ProQuest article**


**JSTOR article**


**Lexis-Nexis article**


**Project Muse article**

Citing Articles from Web Sites

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Articles - From Web Sites

Article from an online journal

Article from an online magazine

Online News Service - General Format

Article from an online News Service

Changes in APA Style: Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs)
The APA Style Guide to Electronic References (2007) introduces the use of the Digital Object Identifier (DOI). Since links to Internet content sometimes change, some publishers assign a DOI to scholarly articles and documents and their contents to provide a consistent link to its location on the Internet. Whenever a DOI is available, it is included in the reference instead of the database name and URL. Many library databases do not list DOIs. If one is not listed for an article you are citing, include the database name instead. For more information about DOIs, please see the APA Style Guide to Electronic References (2007) at the Feinberg Library Reference Desk.

**IMPORTANT:** Always check with your instructor about the requirements of your assignment.

Digital Object Identifier

Journal article with no Digital Object Identifier