APA Citation

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General Format for Reference Lists


Reference List:
Journal articles on the web


*If there is no doi, use the URL of the journal’s homepage: Retrieved from: http://www.journalhomepage.org*
In-text citations: Short Quotations

If you are directly quoting from a work, you will need to include the author, year of publication, and the page number for the reference (preceded by "p."). Introduce the quotation with a signal phrase that includes the author's last name followed by the date of publication in parentheses.

According to Jones (1998), "Students often had difficulty using APA style, especially when it was their first time" (p. 199).

Jones (1998) found "students often had difficulty using APA style" (p. 199); what implications does this have for teachers?

If the author is not named in a signal phrase, place the author's last name, the year of publication, and the page number in parentheses after the quotation.

She stated, "Students often had difficulty using APA style" (Jones, 1998, p. 199), but she did not offer an explanation as to why.
Jones's (1998) study found the following:

Students often had difficulty using APA style, especially when it was their first time citing sources. This difficulty could be attributed to the fact that many students failed to purchase a style manual or to ask their teacher for help. (p. 199)
If you are paraphrasing an idea from another work, you only have to make reference to the author and year of publication in your in-text reference, but APA guidelines encourage you to also provide the page number (although it is not required.)

According to Jones (1998), APA style is a difficult citation format for first-time learners.

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In-text: Images

FORMAT:

Figure 2. Title of the image. Caption explaining image.

★ Place the image near where you reference it in the text.
★ You will need to include the full citation on your References page.
★ Number your images sequentially.

EXAMPLE:

Counterintuitively, cats like fire (Figure 1).

Figure 1. Bamboo and a candle (Murphy, 2018). This cat enjoys singeing his whiskers on the flame of a candle while warming himself by fake fire on a television.