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**How to Cite Information Using the APA Style, 7th Edition**

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| **Two to Twenty Authors**  **(list all authors up to twenty)** | **List by last names and initials, commas separate author names, last author name is preceded by ampersand (&)**  Pinheiro, P., Mendes, I., Silva, S., Goncalves, M. M., & Salgado, J. (2018). Emotional processing and therapeutic change in depression: A case study. *Psychotherapy, 55*(3). 263-274. https://doi.org/10.1037/pst0000190 |
| **Twenty One or More Authors** | **List by last names and initials; commas separate author names. After the nineteenth author’s name, use ellipses (…) in place of the author names then provide the final author name. There should be no more than twenty names listed.**  Hill, K. G., Patnode, M. L., Bailey, J. A., Hartigan, L. A., Small, C. M., Hamu, A. J., Hawkins, J. D., Easton, W.E., Isenberger, R.J., Ruiz, D.R., Chan, X.T., Thompson, H.S., Johnson, B.W., Iommi, T.T., Butler, G.T., Osbourne, O.J., Young, N.P., Fogerty, J.C., Lynott, P.P., …King, D.R. (2017). Parental alcohol use, parenting, and child on-time development. *Infant & Child Development, 26*(5), 23-42. https://doi.org/10.1002/icd.2013 |
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**Books**

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| **Book**  **With Editor(s)**  **(multiple editors list (Eds.) after their names)** | **Editor. (Ed.) (Year of publication). *Book title: Sub-title.* Publisher.**  Sternberg, R. J. (Ed.). (2017). *Career paths in psychology: Where your degree can take you.* American Psychological Association. |
| **Book**  **With Author and Editor** | **Author. (Year of publication). *Book title: Sub-title* (Editor, Ed.). Publisher.**  Freud, S. (1963). *Three case histories* (P. Rieff, Ed.). Collier. |
| **Book**  **Chapter or Work in an Anthology or Compilation** | **Author. (Year of Publication). Title of chapter. In Editor(s), *Book title* (edition of book other than the first, pages of chapter). Publisher.**  Yonkers, K. A., & Howell, H. B. (2014). Postpartum sadness. In J. W. Barnhill (Ed.), *DSM-5 clinical cases* (2nd. ed., pp. 76-78). American Psychiatric Publishing. |
| **Book**  **Author and Publisher are the Same** | **Omit the publisher name at the end of the citation.**  American Psychological Association. (2013). *Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders: DSM-5.* |

**Articles**

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| **Magazine Article (in print or from a library database)** | **Author. (Date of publication with year, month). Article title. *Magazine Title,* *Volume number* (Issue number), original page numbers.**  Matthes, R. (2018, November/December).Your relationship bill of rights. *Psychology Today,* *51*(6), 72-29. |
| **Journal Article  (in print or from a library database)** | **Author. (Date of publication year only). Article title. *Journal Title,* *Volume number* (Issue number), original page numbers.**  Evans, R. W. & Ghosh, K. (2018). A survey of neurologists on post-concussion syndrome. *Headache: The Journal of Head & Face Pain, 58*(6), 836-844. |
| **Journal Article with a DOI number\*** | **Author. (Date of publication). Article title. *Journal Title,* *Volume number* (Issue number), original page numbers. doi number**  Johnston, O. G., Derella, O. J., & Burke, J. D. (2018). Identification of oppositional defiant disorder in young adult college students. *Journal of Psychopathology & Behavioral Assessment, 40*(4), 563-572. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10862-018-9696-0 |
| **Newspaper Article (in print or from a library database)** | **Author. (Date of publication). Article title. *Newspaper Title.* Original page numbers.**  Craig, T. (2018, November 18). After deadliest fire in California history, search for human remains begins. *Washington Post,* A8. |
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| **Online Government Document** | **Name of Group. (Year, Month Day). *Title of report* (Report No.) Publisher Name. DOI or URL**  National Cancer Institute. (2018). *Facing forward: Life after cancer treatment* (NIH Publication No. 18-2424). U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health. https://www.cancer.gov/publications/patient-education/life-after-treatment.pdf |

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| **Webpage with a Group/Corporate/ Organizational Author**  **(If there is no date on the webpage, put (n.d.) for the date.)** | **Author. (Year, Month Day)*.* *Article title*. URL of Webpage**  Mayo Clinic. (2018, May 4). *Anxiety disorders.* https://www.mayoclinic.org /diseases-conditions/anxiety/symptoms-causes/syc-20350961 |
| **Webpage with Named Authors**  **(If there is no date on the webpage, put (n.d.) for the date.)** | **Author. (Year, Month Day). *Article title*. Name of Webpage. URL of Webpage**  Martin Lillie, C.M. (2016, December 29). *Be kind to yourself: How self-compassion can improve your resiliency.* Mayo Clinic. https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/adult-health/in-depth/self-compassion-can-improve-your-resiliency/art-20267193 |
| **Webpage from a Government Website** | **Title of Website*.* (Year, Month Day). *Webpage title*. URL of Webpage**  Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2022, September 7). *Monkeypox signs and symptoms.* https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/monkeypox/index.html |
| **YouTube/Streaming Video \*\*\*** | **Author. (Year, Month, Day). *Title of video* [Video]. Video Streaming Service Name. URL of Webpage**  Byrne, D. (2018, February 2). *Talking Heads-once in a lifetime* [Video]. YouTube. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5IsSpAOD6K8  Summit Center. (2019, December 3). *Psychosocial development of gifted children- webinar with Dr. Stephen Chou* [Video]. Vimeo. https://vimeo.com/ondemand/ 208564/376976020  \*\*\*For retrieval purposes, the person who posted the video is credited as the author. |
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