



# APA Citations

From 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Edition

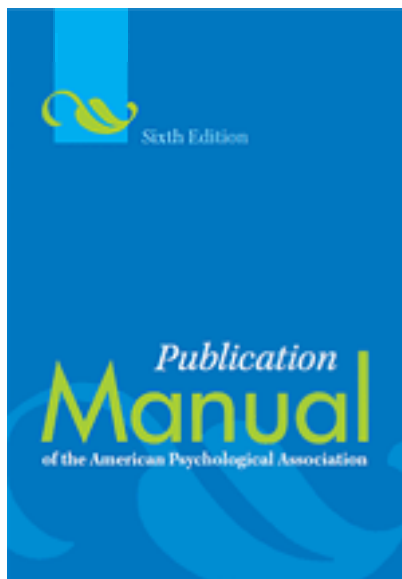
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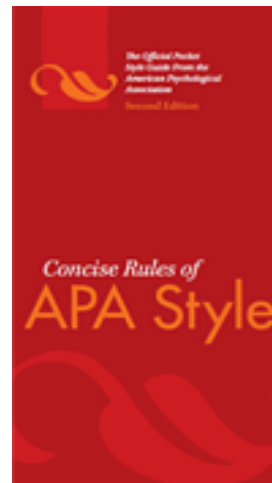
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# Three Different Ways to Get Your APA

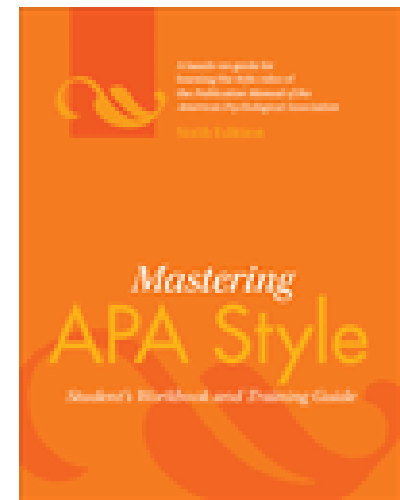
Full Sized Manual  
(Also comes in  
Spiral Bound)



Concise Rules.  
Comes in Spiral  
Bound (Smaller  
book, smaller print,  
easy to carry)  
Essentially picks up  
at Chapter 3 from  
the full manual



Training Guide and  
instructional  
exercises to help  
you with your APA  
training





# Chapter Overview

What's new these days in APA?

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# Chapter I: Writing for the Behavioral and Social Sciences

- Ethics discussion significantly expanded:
  - New section on data retention and sharing
  - New section on self-plagiarism
  - Expanded section on duplicate and piecemeal publication
  - New discussion of determining authorship, focusing on student contributions
  - Expanded section, “Protecting Rights of Research Participants” additional expanded guidance on assuring confidentiality
  - Expanded guidance on conflict of interest
  - New “planning for compliance” checklist



## Still covered

- Types of articles
- Standards in publishing
- Plagiarism on the whole (And how not to do it)
- Confidentiality
- Ethics



# Chapter 2: Manuscript Structure and Content

- New section on uniform standards for reporting research.
- Journal article reporting standards incorporated into new discussions of abstract, methods, statistical results, and discussion.

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- Three modules added with standards for describing experimental manipulations.
- Flow chart added to describe how subjects move through study.
- New section on meta-analyses.
- New section on supplemental material.
- New sample papers featured that illustrate key new rules of APA style.



## Still covered

- Journal article reporting standards
- Parts of a paper or manuscript
- All kinds of samples for guidance during writing



# Chapter 3: Writing Clearly and Concisely

- New heading structure established to simplify retrieval and ease reading comprehension.
  - Fully revised guidelines on reducing bias in language.
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- New section on historical and interpretive inaccuracies in language.
    - Use of “subjects” vs. “participants” revisited, with “subjects” fully accepted for use.
    - Gender—guidelines for avoiding bias updated (e.g., question the use of such constructions as “opposite” sex).
    - Definitions and preferred usage for terms “transsexual” and “transgender” updated.
    - Race—avoid language that reifies race, avoid use of “minority” for “non-White”.
    - New sentence added for those of Middle Eastern descent.





## Still Covered

- Length: Less is More. Length of a paper is determined by how long it takes to successfully present your study or paper.
- Organization
- Heading Types
- Writing Styles
- Grammar
- Usage

# Lets Talk about Bias

When in doubt be more specific than less

- Don't use man to describe all humans use women and men.
- Use age ranges (65-85) instead of saying over 65 years of age.
- Gay men and Lesbians are currently preferred instead of the general term of gay.
- Terms like borderline and at-risk are too vague. Need to fill in (ex: borderline personality disorder, children at-risk for failing school this year)
- There are many more. Read about them all in your APA Publication Manual.



# Some Grammar and Usage

We conducted the survey in a controlled setting (Preferred)

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The survey was conducted in a controlled setting (Not preferred)

**Prefer the active voice**



# More examples

The data indicate that Heather was correct  
(Correct)

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The data indicates that Heather was correct  
(incorrect)

I hope this is not the case. (Correct)

Hopefully this is not the case. (Incorrect)  
(Do not use hopefully to mean I hope or it is hoped)



## Little more

Between 2.5 and 4.0 years of age (right)

Between 2-4 years of age. (wrong)

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The names were difficult to pronounce as well as to spell

The names were both difficult to pronounce as well as to spell.

(Don't use both with as well as. Makes the combination redundant)



# Chapter 4: The Mechanics of Style

- **Punctuation—return to two spaces after the period or any punctuation at the end of the sentence recommended for ease of reading comprehension.**
- Numbers—requirement to use numerals for numbers below 10 grouped with those above 10 had been dropped.
- Numerals vs. words—exception has been added for using words when discussing approximations of days and months (about ten days).
- Decimal fractions—New guidelines for reporting of p-values to two or three decimal places. (However, p-values less than  $p < .001$  should be reported as  $p < .001$ .)
- Statistics in text—new guideline added to include not only statistics but also associated effect sizes and confidence intervals.
- Form for reporting confidence intervals delineated.



## Still covered

- Punctuation rules
  - Spelling
  - Hyphenation
  - Capitalization
  - Abbreviations
  - Numbers
  - Statistics
  - Equations
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# A brief word about numbers

- Use numbers for 10 and up
- Use words for 9 and below

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First two items (right)

1<sup>st</sup> two items (wrong)

2 two-way interactions (correct, actually)

But if it makes readability difficult the rule is to write the numbers out.





# Chapter 5: Displaying Results

- Expanded general guidance on determining the purpose of data displays and designing to achieve that purpose.
  - New section on confidence intervals in tables—guidance on reporting results of statistical significance in tables.
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- All new tables, focused on kinds of data being displayed.
  - New table examples added (hierarchical multiple regression, multilevel model); ANOVA table removed.
  - New section on principles of figure use and construction.
  - New cautions about ethical ramifications of manipulating data in photographic images.



# Still Covered

- Guidance for the display of tables and figures
  - Formatting
  - Examples for your use
  - Detailed information about contents for figures and tables
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# Chapter 6: Crediting Sources

- Chapter now groups rules for quoting and guidance on getting permissions with standards for citation.
  - Citations—new passage added on what to cite and recommended level of citation.
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- New guidance on in-text citations of material quoted from electronic sources with no page numbers.
  - Reference list
    - New discussion on citing the archival version or version of record.
    - New expanded information on electronic sources and locator information, with an emphasis on the DOI.
    - New guidance on what to include for publication information, with focus on electronic sources.



## Still Covered

- When to cite
  - Details on plagiarism
  - Quoting
  - Paraphrasing
  - Gaining permissions
  - In-text reference tips and examples
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# Some examples

Source	Citation	Source	Citation
<b>No Author</b>	( <u>Short Title</u> , 2000) ("Short Article," 2000)	<b>Chapter</b>	(Smith 2000, chap. 3)
<b>1 Author</b>	(Smith, 2000) (Smith, 2000, p. 123)	<b>Data File</b>	(Corporate Author, 2000)
<b>2 Authors</b>	(Adams & Baca, 2000, pp. 123-146)	<b>In Press</b>	(Smith in press)
<b>3/5 Authors</b>	(Adams, Baca, & Car, 2000) Next Cte: (Adams et al., 2000)	<b>Message</b>	(A. B. Smith, personal communication, January 23, 2001)
<b>6 Authors+</b>	(Jones et al., 2001)	<b>Multiple</b>	(Able, 2000; Baca, 1953; Car 1975)
<b>Corporate Acronym</b>	(United Nations [UN], 1996) Next Cte. (UN, 1996)	<b>No Date</b>	(Smith n.d.)

Source: APA Publication Manual (2001).



## Chapter 7: Reference Examples

- All new reference examples—electronic formats incorporated with print formats for each form.
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- Examples drawn from wider range of journals in social and behavioral sciences.
  - New examples for new media, including data sets and software, internet message boards, archival documents and collections, wikis, and podcasts.



## Still Covered

- All types of reference examples.
  - Details for new references
  - Updates from past edition
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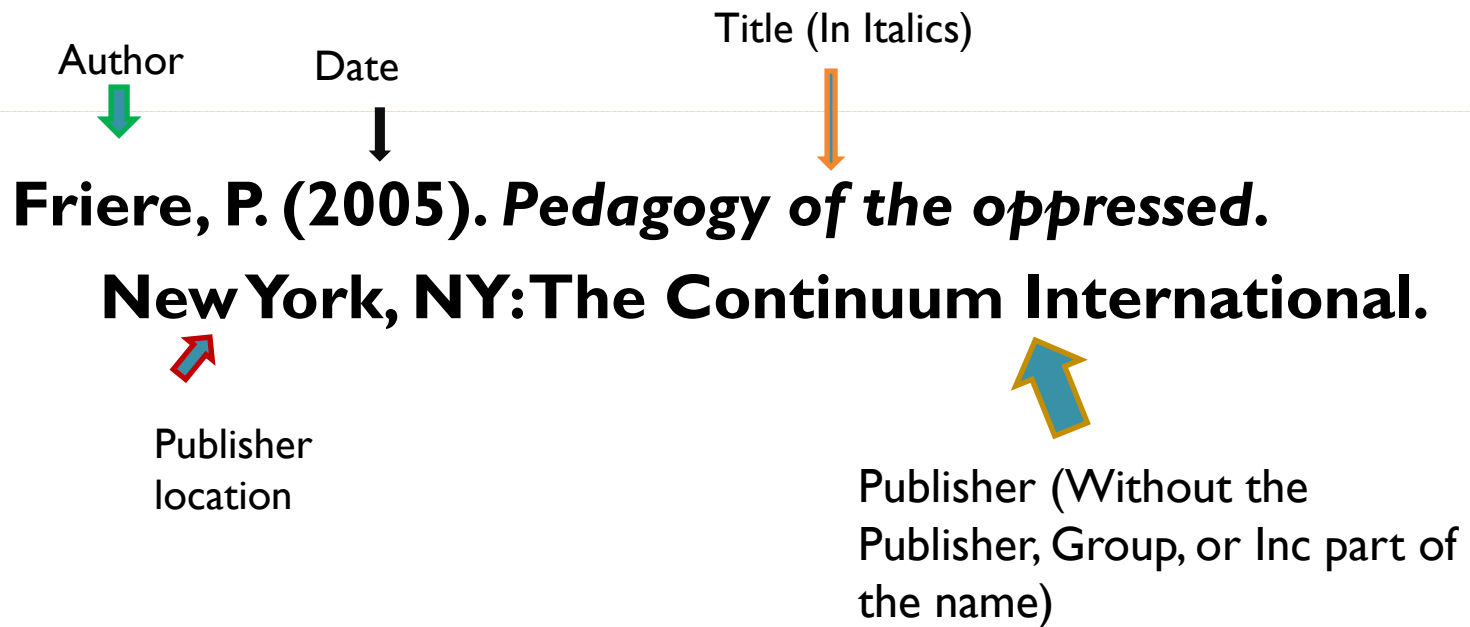
# Basics

- Author(s)
  - Date
  - Title Information
  - Source
  - Pages
  - Any other information
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# References (Piece by Piece)

## Example: Print Book



- Example Online Book

Remember only first word  
is capitalized.

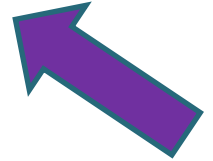


**Friere, P. (2005). *Pedagogy of the oppressed*.**

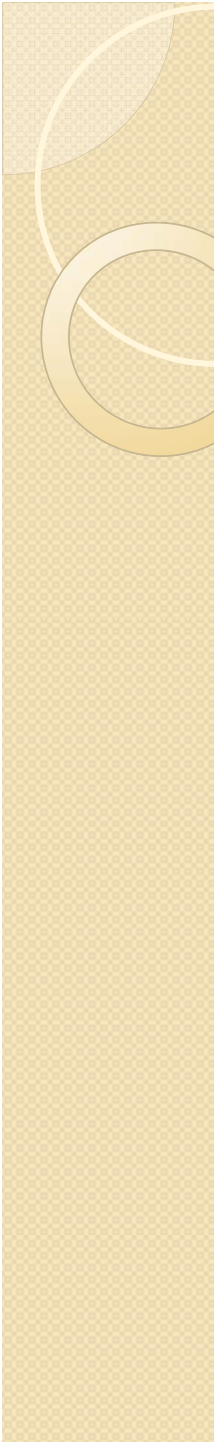
**Retrieved from <http://www.libbooks.com>**



Online information (You will notice that they  
are no longer asking for retrieved from dates)



No period for  
electronic  
references



# New information about Journals/Periodicals

If you have found the article in print you will reference it as a print item.

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But if it is found in an electronic format then you will give as much online information that you can. (URL, DOI).

Database information is not needed.

Much is said in 6<sup>th</sup> about using the most up to date version of an item.

# Examples

- Print Journal

Title of article



**Harlow, H. F. (1983). Fundamentals for preparing psychology journal articles. *Journal of Comparative and Physiological Psychology*,**

**55, 893-896.**

Volume  
Number



Page Numbers



Journal title (In italics)



## Two examples of online: URL & DOI

- Kenneth, I.A. (2000). A Buddhist response to the nature of human rights. *Journal of Buddhist Ethics*, 8. Retrieved from <http://www.cac.psu.edu/jbe/twocont.html>
- Brownlie, D. Toward effective poster presentations: An annotated bibliography. *European Journal of Marketing*, 41(11/12), 1245-1283.  
doi:10.1108/03090560710821161

## 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>: Some differences

Kenneth, I.A. (2000). A Buddhist response to the nature of human rights. *Journal of Buddhist Ethics*, 8. Retrieved February 20, 2001, from

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## Other references available in 6<sup>th</sup> edition

- Technical Papers
- Research Papers
- Government Reports
- Meetings, Symposiums, Proceedings
- Dissertations
- Reviews
- Data sets
- Software
- Court cases
- Patents



## As well as some newer things

- Movies
- Music recordings
- Podcasts
- Photographs
- Blog Posts
- Video Blogs
- Electronic mailing lists
- Online newsgroups





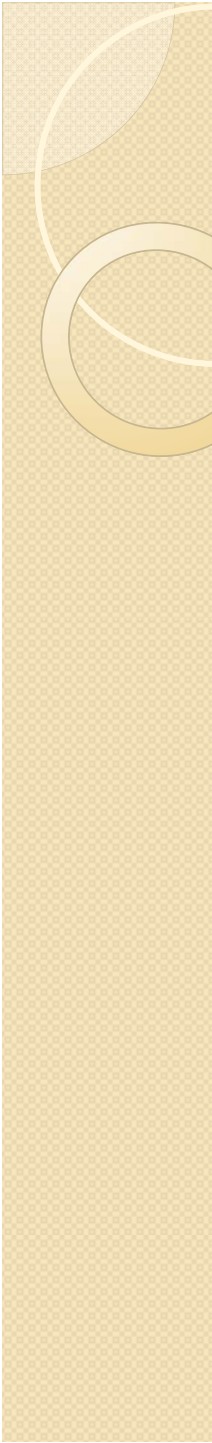
# Chapter 8: The Publication Process

- New discussion of peer review.
  - New discussion of editorial decision-making process by which manuscripts are accepted or rejected.
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- Author responsibilities—new section in getting assistance on scientific writing in English.
  - Guidance on complying with ethical, legal, and policy requirements condensed in one place.
  - Condensed information on publisher policy requirements.



# Questions and Answers

- **What if I'm thinking about submitting a new manuscript to an APA journal?**
- APA journal editors expect that new manuscripts submitted after January 1, 2010, will conform to the sixth edition. Before then, new submissions will probably be a mixture of fifth and sixth edition styles. Authors, in their later revisions, and/or APA staff will make sure all accepted articles follow sixth edition style.



# How do you cite a source that you found in another source?

- Use secondary sources sparingly, for instance, when the original work is out of print, unavailable through usual sources, or not available in English. Give the secondary source in the reference list; in text, name the original work and give a citation for the secondary source.
- For example, if Allport's work is cited in Nicholson and you did not read Allport's work, list the Nicholson reference in the reference list. In the text, use the following citation:
- Allport's diary (as cited in Nicholson, 2003).



## How do I cite a personal communication

- Letters, e-mail, memos, discussion groups, personal interviews, telephone conversations.
- Personal Communication is only included in the text. It is not listed in the reference list.

H.M. Moorefield-Lang (personal communication, April 10, 2009)

**Or**

(H.M. Moorefield-Lang, personal communication, April 10, 2009)