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## **Referencing**

When you write the main body and conclusions of your research paper, it is important that you make frequent use of source references. Source references act as documentation in terms of the origin of your knowledge, and they offer the readers an opportunity to test the argumentation and conclusions of your paper.

### *What is reference style?*

A referencing style is a specific format for presenting in- text references (footnotes or endnotes), and bibliography. It is a act of referring.

**Reference:** The action of mentioning or alluding to something or, the use of a source of information in order to ascertain something.

Furthermore, research papers in which source referencing is frequently used present themselves as being honest and try to avoid plagiarism. The readers are able to clearly distinguish between the author's own thoughts and analyses the author has found elsewhere.

Thus, citing sources is important because:

- It **gives credit** to the original source and **avoids plagiarism**
- Allows your audience to **find the original source**

### **Types of Citation**

# Popular Citation Styles

And Who Uses Them!



**MLA**

English  
Literature  
Foreign Language  
Communications  
Religious Studies



**APA**

Psychology  
Education  
Business/Economics  
Nursing  
Linguistic Studies



**Chicago**

History  
Art History  
Fine Arts  
Anthropology  
Philosophy



**IEEE**

Engineering  
Computer Science  
Information Science



**CSE**

Biology  
Physics  
Chemistry  
Geology

**Always check with your instructor about what style to use!**

## *The list of references*

The list of references should solely list the works which have been referenced in

the research paper. It should not comprise a long list of books you did not use, but found important in terms of the subject. The references are listed alphabetically according to the authors' surnames. If the same author is mentioned in connection with several works, these works are listed in chronological order.

The order in which the authors are mentioned is not random. Those who are mentioned first have usually carried out more work on the book or article than the ones who are mentioned last. There are several standards for referencing in use but you should always include these basic notes:

- Title of the work
- Author(s)
- Publisher/Source
- Year of publication
- Type (book, journal, tweet, interview, film, etc...)

The rules differ depending on the type of source you are using and the citation style so make sure you look up the rules for the citation style you are using.

Many Social Science disciplines use APA format for citing sources. The most recent guide is the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association 6th Edition*

The following examples of the most common types of citations are adapted from the 6th edition (2010) of the APA manual. For additional examples, consult chapter 7 (pages 193-224) of the APA Manual or browse the APA Style online guide at <http://www.apastyle.org/index.aspx>

<b>Book, Single Author 7.02</b>	Ball, P. (2001). <i>Bright earth: Art and the invention of color</i> . New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux.
<b>Book, Multiple Authors 7.02</b>	Bird, K., & Martin, J. S. (2005). <i>American prometheus: The triumph and tragedy of J. Robert Oppenheimer</i> . New York: Alfred A. Knopf.
<b>Book, Editor 7.02.27</b>	Silverstein, T. (Ed). (1974). <i>Sir Gawain and the green knight</i> . Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
<b>Chapter in a Book 7.02.25</b>	Demos, J. (2001). Real lives and other fictions: Reconsidering Wallace Stegner's <i>Angle of Repose</i> . In Carnes, M. (Ed.), <i>Novel history: Historians and novelists confront America's past (and each other)</i> , (pp. 132-145). New York: Simon and Schuster.
<b>Journal Article 7.01.1</b>	Burns, S. (2005). Ordering the artist's body: Thomas Eakins' acts of self-portrayal. <i>American Art</i> , 19(1), 90-102.
<b>Journal Article with DOI 7.01.</b>	Murdock, L., & Hobbs, J. (2011, July). Picture me playing: Increasing pretend play dialogue of children with autism spectrum disorders. <i>Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders</i> , 41(7), 870-878. doi: 10.1007/s10803-010-1108-6
<b>Journal Article without a DOI</b>	Tilak, J.G. (2002). Education and poverty. <i>Journal of Human Development</i> , 3(2), 191-207. Retrieved from <a href="http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/cjhd20">http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/cjhd20</a>
<b>Thesis or Dissertation 7.05.41</b>	Erickson, C. (2008). <i>Critical multiculturalism and preservice teacher education</i> (Doctoral dissertation, University of West Florida). Retrieved from <a href="http://purl.fcla.edu/fcla/etd/WFE000011">http://purl.fcla.edu/fcla/etd/WFE000011</a>
<b>Website (nonperiodical web document)</b>	Florida Department of Education. (2010). <i>Next generation sunshine state standards: Grade two, social studies</i> . Retrieved from <a href="http://www.floridastandards.org/Standards/FLStandardSearch.aspx">http://www.floridastandards.org/Standards/FLStandardSearch.aspx</a>

**Task:** Look at the list of references in a book or a research article and pick up examples to illustrate the type of resource, and fill in the table below:

Book Chapter	
Article	
Ph.D Thesis	
Website	