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Reference list

All lines after the first line of a reference are indented... often described as a hanging indentation.

Example:

Clayton, N. S., & Emery, N. J. (2009). What do jays know about other minds and other times? In A. Berthoz & Y. Christen (Eds.), *Neurobiology of Umwelt: How Living Beings Perceive the World* (pp. 109-123). Berlin: Springer-Verlag Berlin.

Journal articles (electronic/printed)

Required elements

- If a journal article has a DOI, include the DOI in the reference.
- Always include the issue number for a journal article.
- If the journal article does not have a DOI but does have a URL, include the URL of the article at the end of the reference.

In-text citation

Parenthetical citation: (Grady et al., 2019)

Narrative citation: Grady et al. (2019)

Reference list entry

Grady, J. S., Her, M., Moreno, G., Perez, C., & Yelinek, J. (2019). Emotions in storybooks: A comparison of storybooks that represent ethnic and racial groups in the United States. *Psychology of Popular Media Culture*, 8(3), 207–217. <https://doi.org/10.1037/ppm0000185>

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Journal Article

Invert names so that the last name comes first, followed by a comma and the initials. Leave a space between initials. Retain the order of authors' names.

Place the year in parentheses. End with a period.

Capitalize only the first letter of the first word. For a two-part title, capitalize the first word of the second part of the title. Also capitalize proper nouns. Do not italicize. End with a period.

Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). Title of the article.

Name of the Periodical, volume(issue), #-#. <https://doi.org/xxxx>

Capitalize all major words in the periodical name. Follow with a comma. Italicize the periodical name (but not the comma after).

Italicize the volume number. Do not put a space between the volume number and the parentheses around the issue number.

Do not italicize the issue number or parentheses. Follow the parentheses with a comma. **No issue number?** That's okay. Follow the volume number with a comma.

Include the article page range. Use an en dash; do not put spaces around the en dash. End with a period.

Does the article have a DOI? Include a DOI for all works that have one. Do not put a period after the DOI.

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Books

Required elements

- Provide the author, year of publication, title, and publisher of the book.
- If the book includes a DOI, include the DOI in the reference after the publisher name.
- Do not include the publisher location.

In-text citation

Parenthetical citation: (Jackson, 2019; Sapolsky, 2017)

Narrative citation: Jackson (2019) and Sapolsky (2017)

Reference list entry:

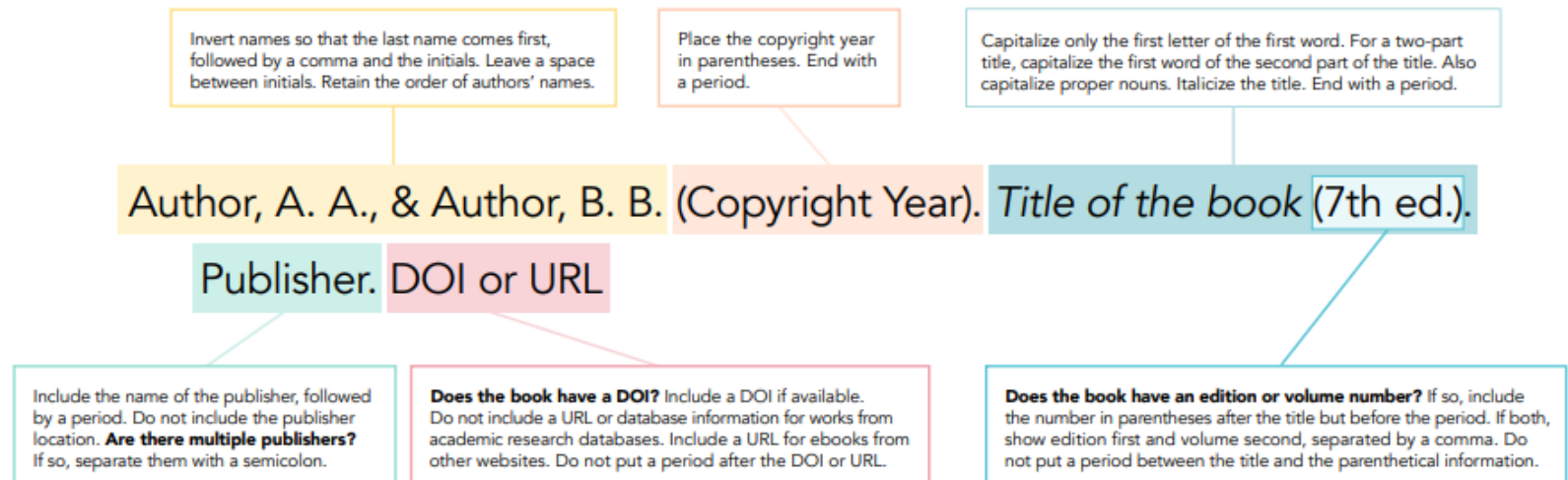
Sapolsky, R. M. (2017). *Behave: The biology of humans at our best and worst*. Penguin Books.

Book - Electronic version

Jackson, L. M. (2019). *The psychology of prejudice: From attitudes to social action* (2nd ed.). American Psychological Association. <https://doi.org/10.1037/0000168-000>

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Edited Books

Required elements

- Use the abbreviation “(Ed.)” for one editor and the abbreviation “(Eds.)” for multiple editors after the editor names, followed by a period. In the case of multiple editors, include the role once, after all the names.
- Include any edition information in parentheses after the title, without italics.
- If the book includes a DOI, include the DOI in the reference after the publisher name.
- Do not include the publisher location.

In-text citation

Parenthetical citation: (Kesharwani, 2020; Torino et al., 2019)

Narrative citation: Kesharwani (2020) and Torino et al. (2019)

Reference list entry

Kesharwani, P. (Ed.). (2020). *Nanotechnology based approaches for tuberculosis treatment*. Academic Press.

Torino, G. C., Rivera, D. P., Capodilupo, C. M., Nadal, K. L., & Sue, D. W. (Eds.). (2019). *Microaggression theory: Influence and implications*.

John Wiley & Sons. <https://doi.org/10.1002/9781119466642>

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Chapter in an edited Book

Required elements

- If the edited book chapter includes a DOI, include the chapter DOI in the reference after the publisher name.
- Do not include the publisher location.
- Include any edition information in the same parentheses as the page range of the chapter, separated with a comma.

In-text citation

Parenthetical citation: (Aron et al., 2019; Dillard, 2020)

Narrative citation: Aron et al. (2019) and Dillard (2020)

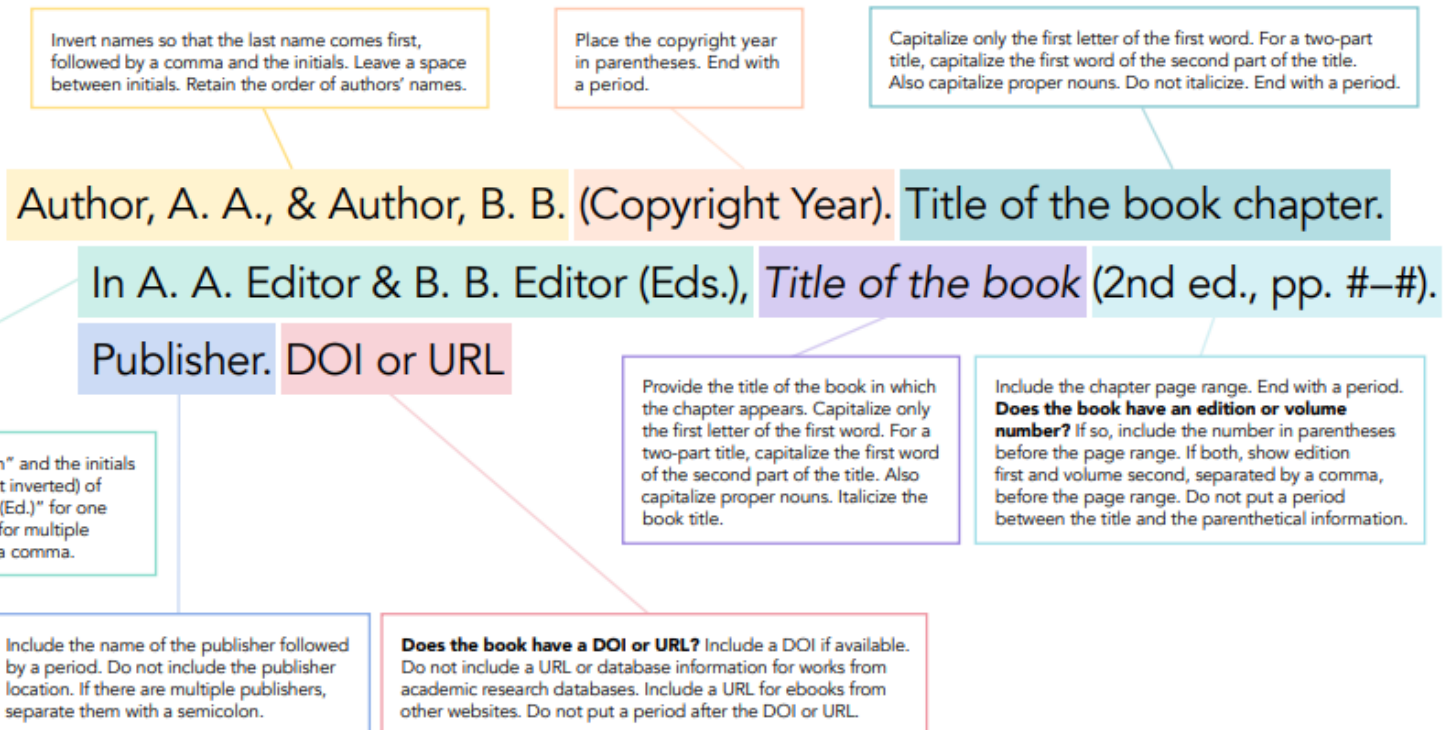
Reference list entry

Aron, L., Botella, M., & Lubart, T. (2019). Culinary arts: Talent and their development. In R. F. Subotnik, P. Olszewski-Kubilius, & F. C. Worrell (Eds.), *The psychology of high performance: Developing human potential into domain-specific talent* (pp. 345–359). American Psychological Association. <https://doi.org/10.1037/0000120-016>

Dillard, J. P. (2020). Currents in the study of persuasion. In M. B. Oliver, A. A. Raney, & J. Bryant (Eds.), *Media effects: Advances in theory and research* (4th ed., pp. 115–129). Routledge.

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Conference proceedings (print/online)

Conference proceedings published in a journal

Duckworth, A. L., Quirk, A., Gallop, R., Hoyle, R. H., Kelly, D. R., & Matthews, M. D. (2019). Cognitive and noncognitive predictors of success. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, USA*, 116(47), 23499–23504. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1910510116>

In-text citation

Parenthetical citation: (Duckworth et al., 2019)

Narrative citation: Duckworth et al. (2019)

Conference proceedings published as a whole book

Kushilevitz, E., & Malkin, T. (Eds.). (2016). *Lecture notes in computer science: Vol. 9562. Theory of cryptography*. Springer. <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-662-49096-9>

Parenthetical citation: (Kushilevitz & Malkin, 2016)

Narrative citation: Kushilevitz and Malkin (2016)

NB: Conference proceedings published as a whole book follow the same reference format as whole edited books.

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Conference proceedings published as a book chapter

Paper:

Bedenel, A.-L., Jourdan, L., & Biernacki, C. (2019). Probability estimation by an adapted genetic algorithm in web insurance. In R. Battiti, M. Brunato, I. Kotsireas, & P. Pardalos (Eds.), *Lecture notes in computer science: Vol. 11353. Learning and intelligent optimization* (pp. 225–240). Springer. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-05348-2_21

Parenthetical citation: (Bedenel et al., 2019)

Narrative citation: Bedenel et al. (2019)

NB: The format for conference proceedings published as an edited book chapter is the same as for edited book chapters.

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Theses

Required elements

- In the source element of the reference, provide the name of the institution that awarded the degree.

In-text citation

Parenthetical citations: (Kabir, 2016; Miranda, 2019; Zambrano-Vazquez, 2016)

Narrative citations: Kabir (2016), Miranda (2019), and Zambrano-Vazquez (2016)

Parenthetical citation: (Harris, 2014)

Narrative citation: Harris (2014)

Reference list entry

Kabir, J. M. (2016). *Factors influencing customer satisfaction at a fast food hamburger chain: The relationship between customer satisfaction and customer loyalty* (Publication No. 10169573) [Doctoral dissertation, Wilmington University]. ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global.

Miranda, C. (2019). *Exploring the lived experiences of foster youth who obtained graduate level degrees: Self-efficacy, resilience, and the impact on identity development* (Publication No. 27542827) [Doctoral dissertation, Pepperdine University]. PQDT Open. <https://pqdtopen.proquest.com/doc/2309521814.html?FMT=AI>

Zambrano-Vazquez, L. (2016). *The interaction of state and trait worry on response monitoring in those with worry and obsessive-compulsive symptoms* [Doctoral dissertation, University of Arizona]. UA Campus Repository. <https://repository.arizona.edu/handle/10150/620615>

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Webpage on a Website

Required elements

- Use this format for articles from news websites. Common examples are BBC News, Bloomberg, CNN, HuffPost, MSNBC, Reuters, Salon, and Vox. These sites do not have associated daily or weekly newspapers.
- Use the newspaper article category for articles from newspaper websites such as *The New York Times* or *The Washington Post*.
- Provide the writer as the author.
- Provide the specific date the story was published.
- Provide the title of the news story in italic sentence case.
- List the name of the news website in the source element of the reference.
- End the reference with the URL.

In-text citation

Parenthetical citation: (Bologna, 2019; Woodyatt, 2019)

Narrative citation: Bologna (2019) and Woodyatt (2019)

Reference list entry

Bologna, C. (2019, October 31). *Why some people with anxiety love watching horror movies*. HuffPost. https://www.huffpost.com/entry/anxiety-love-watching-horror-movies_15d277587e4b02a5a5d57b59e

Woodyatt, A. (2019, September 10). *Daytime naps once or twice a week may be linked to a healthy heart, researchers say*. CNN. <https://www.cnn.com/2019/09/10/health/nap-heart-health-wellness-intl-scli/index.html>