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Below are examples of more common sources that you cite when writing research papers.

Single Author	Last name first, followed by the author initials
	Reich, J. W. (2012). Radical distortion: How emotions warp what we hear.
	Prometheus.
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
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	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
No Author Listed	If no author is listed, begin your citation with the next field of information.
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Author Formatting

Books

Book	Author. (Year of publication). Title of book: Sub-title. Publisher.
Print and Ebook Basic Format	Reich, J. W. (2012). Radical distortion: How emotions warp what we hear.
(you treat ebooks the same as print books in most cases)	Prometheus.
Book Other than first edition	Author. (Year of publication). <i>Title of book: Sub-title</i> . (Edition). Publisher.
	Ignatavicius, D. D., Workman, M. L., & Rebar, C. R. (2017). Medical-surgical
	nursing: Critical thinking for interprofessional collaborative care. (9th ed.).
	Elsevier.
Book	Editor. (Ed.) (Year of publication). Book title: Sub-title. Publisher
With Editor(s) (multiple editors you	Sternberg, R. J. (Ed.). (2017). Career paths in psychology: Where your degree can take
would list (Eds.) after their names)	You. American Psychological Association.
Book	Author. (Year of publication). Book title: Sub-title (Editor, Ed.). Publisher.
With Author and Editor	Freud, S. (1963). Three case histories (P. Rieff, Ed.). Collier.
Book	Author. (Year of Publication). Title of chapter. In Editor(s) , Title of book (edition
Chapter or Work in an Anthology or Compilation	of book if any, 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	Omit the publisher name at the end of the citation.
Author and Publisher are the Same	American Psychological Association. (2013). <i>Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders: DSM-5</i> .

Articles

	Author. (Date of publication). Article title. <i>Magazine Title</i> , <i>Volume number</i>
Magazine Article	(Issue number), original page numbers.
(in print or from a library database)	Matthes, R. (2018, November/December). Your relationship bill of rights. <i>Psychology</i>
	<i>Today</i> , <i>51</i> (6), 72-29.
Journal Article (in print or from a library database)	Author. (Date of publication). 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	Author. (Date of publication). Article title. Journal Title, Volume number
with a DOI number*	(Issue number), original page numbers. doi number
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	Author. (Date of publication). Article title. Newspaper Title. Original page
(in print or from a library database)	numbers.
indiary database)	Craig, T. (2018, November 18). After deadliest fire in California history, search for
	human remains begins. Washington Post, A8.
Article from a	Author. (Date of publication). Article title. <i>Publication Title, volume number</i>
Webpage**	(issue number). URL of Webpage
(cite as you would an article in	Schrobsdorff, A. (2016, October 27). Teen depression and anxiety: Why the kids are
print/database and add the URL at the end)	not alright. <i>Time</i> , 188(19). http://time.com/magazine/us/4547305/november-7th-
	2016-vol-188-no-19-u-s/
	Hutson, M. (2019, December 9). Can artificial intelligence increase our morality.
	<i>Psychology Today.</i> https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/psyched/201912/
	can-artificial-intelligence-increase-our-morality

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Organizational	Mayo Clinic. (2018, May 4). Anxiety disorders. https://www.mayoclinic.org /diseases-
Author	conditions/anxiety/symptoms-causes/syc-20350961
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	lifestyle/adult-health/in-depth/self-compassion-can-improve-your-resiliency/art-
	20267193
YouTube/Streaming	Author. (Year, Month, Day). Title of video [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
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- 5. Alphabetize the list.