

APA citation quick reference

REFERENCE PATTERNS

Journal article
Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (YYYY). Title of article. *Journal Name*, 12(3), 100–125.
<https://doi.org/10.xxxx/xxxxx>

Article with no DOI
Author, A. A. (YYYY). Title of article. *Journal Name*, 12(3), 100–125.

Book
Author, A. A. (YYYY). *Title of book* (3rd ed.). Publisher.

Edited book
Editor, A. A. (Ed.). (YYYY). *Title of book*. Publisher.

Chapter
Author, A. A. (YYYY). Title of chapter. In E. E. Editor (Ed.), *Title of book* (pp. 100–125). Publisher.

Website
Author, A. A. (YYYY, Month DD). *Title of page*. Site Name.
<https://example.com/page>

Report
Organisation Name. (YYYY). *Title of report* (Report No. NNNN). Publisher. <https://example.com/report>

Dissertation
Author, A. A. (YYYY). *Title of dissertation* [Doctoral dissertation, University Name]. Database Name.

IN-TEXT CITATIONS

One author	(Bandura, 1977)
Two authors	(Tversky & Kahneman, 1974)
Three or more	(Sampson et al., 1997)
Group author, first use	(World Health Organization [WHO], 2021)
Group author, after that	(WHO, 2021)
Direct quotation	(Kahneman, 2011, p. 42)
No date	(Author, n.d.)
Author named in the sentence	Bandura (1977) argued ...

AUTHOR NAMES

Order	Every name inverted: Tversky, A., & Kahneman, D.
Amperсанд	The reference list and parentheticals use &. Running text uses "and".
Up to 20	Name all of them in the reference list.
21 or more	First 19, then an ellipsis, then the final author. Never et al.
In the text	Three or more authors become et al. from the first citation.

WHAT THE 7TH EDITION CHANGED

- Books no longer carry a place of publication.
- DOIs are plain links: <https://doi.org/10.xxxx>, with no "DOI:" label.
- Et al. starts at the third author in text, not the sixth.
- Retrieval dates are only for pages designed to change.
- Up to 20 authors are named in the reference list, not seven.

CAPITALISATION

Article and chapter titles	Sentence case
Book titles	Sentence case, italic
Journal names	Title Case, italic
After a colon in a title	Capitalise the next word
Proper nouns anywhere	Always capitalised

SIX MISTAKES THAT COST MARKS

- Keeping the city in a book reference.
- Writing et al. in the reference list.
- Using "and" instead of & inside parentheses.
- Title case in an article title.
- Writing DOI: before the link.
- Adding a retrieval date to every web page.