There are two types of APA citations: *In-text (or parenthetical)* and *References list*

### In-text or parenthetical citations

Provide brief information regarding a source and correspond to the full citation on the reference list.

**Example of APA in-text citation for a paraphrase:**

Hedges (2015) believes that resistance begins with the use of a ‘new’ language.

**Example of APA in-text citation for a quotation:**

Resistance is “first about learning to speak differently and abandoning the vocabulary of the ‘rational’ technocrats who rule” (Hedges, 2015, p.70).

### Reference list citations

Provide all of the information belonging to the source and correspond to the in-text citation.

**Example of an APA References list citation:**


When creating a citation for the *References* list use all of the information available, such as:

- Authors or editors
- Titles and sub-titles
- Editions
- Publisher and publication information (volume, issue, dates & page numbers)
- Database or website titles
- DOI (Digital object identifier) or URL

#### Example: Book source


#### Example: Article source


#### Example: Website sources


APA Title Page Example

Running head: TITLE OF PAPER

On the title page insert Running head and the title of the paper in the Header.

The title, or a shortened version of it, should appear on all other pages in all caps and without Running head.

Place page numbers in the header beginning on the title page. Use 1-inch margins on the top, bottom and both sides of paper.

Title of Paper

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Information on the Title Page is centered on the upper half of the page, should be double-spaced, and includes:

- Title: Sub-title
- Author
- Institution

Do not bold, underline, or italicize the title information.

The Abstract should begin on a new page and include the header information.
References are listed in alphabetical order by author's last name or the first citation element if there is no author.

References


Additional Notes

Begin the bibliography list on a new page with the title ‘References’.

Sources cited in text must appear in the References list and vice versa.

The References list should be double-spaced and use a hanging indent (see examples above).

Ignore the words A, An, and The when alphabetizing by title.

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