

APA—Online Sources

References—Basic Forms

Articles from periodicals:

Author, A. B., & Author, C. D. (Year of publication). Title of article. *Title of Online Periodical*, volume number(issue number). Retrieved from <http://www.someaddress.com/full/url/>

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Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Date of publication). *Title of document*. Retrieved from <http://Web address>

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Changes to APA for 2010:

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Example:

Herbst-Damm, K. L., & Kulik, J. A. (2005). Volunteer support, marital status, and the survival times of terminally ill patients. *Health Psychology*, 24, 225-229. doi: 10.1037/0278-6133.24.2.225

When DOI Is Not Present:

Author, A. A. (date of publication). Title of article Title of Journal, volume(number), page numbers. Retrieved from URL

Example:

Sillick, T. J., & Schutte, N. S. (2006). Emotional intelligence and self-esteem mediate between perceived early parental love and adult happiness. *Applied Psychology*, 2(2), 38-48. Retrieved from <http://ojs.swin.edu.au/index.php/ejap>

Citing Direct Quotes

In APA, when a direct quote is used, the citation includes the page number of the quote. Since many online sources do not have page numbers, the citation for a quote from an electronic source should include the paragraph number. Use "para." to indicate "paragraph."

Harrison and Finley argued that the bases of comparison "should be standardized throughout the industry by government enforcement" (2004, para. 7).