

APA Citations

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Introduction:

- ▶ What is another word for **citation**?
 - ▶ A **reference** to a source in 2 parts
 - ▶ 1. **In-text** (parenthetical) – brief as you write
 - ▶ 2. **References** (works cited) – full details at the end

1. In-text (parenthetical)



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Citation styles can be difficult to learn. Research shows “students at Oxford had difficulty using APA style” (Conner, 2013, p. 19). By offering direct instruction, student proficiency at Oxford may increase.

2. References (works cited)



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References

Conner, C. (2013). *Science and citations*. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Introduction:

- ▶ Why do we use them?
 - ▶ To acknowledge the work of others
- ▶ So how do we do it...?



APA: when in doubt, cite.

When do I cite?

If using **Facts, Data, & Ideas** that are not your own!

- I. Do not cite “common knowledge”
 - A. Ex. Avogadro’s number is 6.02×10^{23} .

- I. Cite all other sources, (print, multi-media, digital...)
 - A. Statistics- always!
 - B. Opinions
 - C. Less familiar facts (consider audience)

APA: Quote or Paraphrase?

How do I cite?... **the Authors WORDS**

1. **“Direct Quotes”**: any **verbatim use** from a work must be placed in **quotation marks**

2. **Paraphrase/Summary**: **restatement in your words** of an idea from another work, but **NOT** directly quoting (no quotation marks).

APA In-Text: Quote or Paraphrase

How do I cite?... **The Authors WORK (The **SOURCE** of those words):**

1. “Direct Quotes”:

Author, Publication Year,
and **Page Numbers**
located with the quote

(Smith, 1997, p. 35).

2. Paraphrase/Summary:

Author, Publication Year,
Page Number **suggested**,
not required.

(Smith, 1997).

APA: In Text Citation Example

“Direct Quotes”:

Potassium chloride is important to farmers because “at least 85 percent of that compound is used to make synthetic (artificial) fertilizers” (“Potassium (revised),” 2006, para. 25).

Paraphrase/Summary:

About 85% of potassium chloride is used to make fertilizer (“Potassium (revised),” 2006).



References

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Potassium (revised). (2006). In L. W. Baker & D. E. Newton (Eds.), *Chemical Elements: From Carbon to Krypton (Vol. 3)*. Detroit: UXL. Retrieved from http://go.galegroup.com/ps/i.do?id=GALE%7CCX3427000080&v=2.1&u=lom_1654&it=r&p=GURL.chemelements&sw=w&asid=30689077748c649ac2bfcd6db11002f5

APA: CITATIONS

- ▶ **Research Support: Citation Help**

- ▶ <http://ohs.oxford.libguides.com/citationguides>

