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**Sample References and Parenthetical Documentation Entries Done in
APA Style**

There are two basic elements to giving proper credit to sources used in research.

1. Anytime you use borrowed information in the body of your paper—direct quotes or paraphrased (summarized) material—you should follow it immediately with a parenthetical citation.
2. You should have a reference entry for all cited sources at the end of your paper on a separate References page. These entries should be double spaced and listed alphabetically.

The format for these citations can vary, depending on the type of source you are citing. Below are sample parenthetical citations and reference entries for various types of sources.

Sample Reference Entry for an Article from an Anthology

Dunbar, I. (2005). Fast track to perfection. In J. A. Reinking & R. von der Osten (Eds.), *Strategies for successful writing: A rhetoric, research guide, reader, and handbook* (8th ed.), (pp. 456-459). Upper Saddle River: Pearson Education, Incorporated.

Parenthetical Citation for an Article from an Anthology (Dunbar, 2005, p. 458).

Sample Reference Entry for an Article from a Journal

Mattlin, B. (1991). Beyond reasonable doubts: The media and people with disabilities. *Television and Families*, 13 (3), 4-8.

Parenthetical Citation for an Article from a Journal (Mattlin, 1991, p. 4).

Sample Reference Entry for an Article from an Unknown Author in a Newspaper

Billy the kid's life and death. (1881, July 31). *The New York Times*, p. A8.

Parenthetical Citation for an Article from an Unknown Source ("Billy," 1881, p. 8).

Sample Reference Entry for a Signed Article in a Daily Newspaper

Wade, N. (1997, November 26). Germ weapons: Deadly but hard to use. *Washington Post*, p. A26.

Parenthetical Citation for a Signed Article in a Daily Newspaper (Wade, 1997, p. A26).

Sample Reference Entry for an Article from a Weekly Magazine Publication

Blackman, A. (1991, February 18). Machines that work miracles. *Time*, pp. 70-71.

Parenthetical Citation for an Article from a Weekly Magazine

(Blackman, 1991, p. 71).

Sample Reference Entry for a Book by One Author

Foster, H. W. (1986). *The coquette*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Parenthetical Citation for a Book by One Author (Foster, 1986, p. 44).

Sample Reference Entry for a Book by More Than One Author

Battier, S., & Carrawell, C. (1999). *How to play basketball*. Durham: Duke University Press.

Parenthetical Citation for a Book by More Than One Author

(Battier & Carrawell, 1999, p. 33).

Sample Reference Entry for a Book Arranged by an Editor

Allen, D. M. (Ed.) (1960). *The new American poetry*. New York: Grove Publishers.

Parenthetical Citation for a Book Arranged by an Editor (Allen, 1960, p. 33)

Sample Reference Entry for a Book Arranged by Two Editors

Scholes, R., & Kellogg, R. (Eds.). (1966). *The nature of narrative*. New York: Oxford

University Press.

Parenthetical Citation for a Book Arranged by Two Editors

(Scholes & Kellogg, 1966, pp. 55-57).

Sample Reference Entry for a Book arranged by Two or More Authors or Editors

Boardman, J., Dyal, J. A., & Willows, D. M. (Eds.). (1986). *The Oxford history*

of the classical world. New York: Oxford University Press.

Parenthetical Citation for a Book by Two or More Authors or Editors

(Boardman, Dyal, & Willows, 1986, p. 33).

Sample Reference Entry for a Book Arranged by Six or More Authors or Editors

Raine, K., et al. (1968). *Blake and tradition*. London: Cambridge University Press.

Parenthetical Citation for a Book by Six or More Authors or Editors

(Raine, et al., 1968, p. 2).

Sample Reference Entry for a Book Entry with No Author or Editor

The Oxford dictionary of quotations (2nd ed.). (1964). New York: Oxford University Press.

Parenthetical Citation for a Book with No Author or Editor (*Oxford*, 1964, p. 33).

Sample Reference Entry for a Book from an Online Source

Flannagan, R. (1996). Reflections on Milton and Aristotle. *Early Modern Literary Studies*, 2 (3). Retrieved February 22, 1997, from <http://www.unixg.ubc.ca.html>

Parenthetical Citation for a Book from an On-line Source (Flannagan, 1996, p. 33).

Sample Reference Entry for a Brochure from a Corporate Author

Randolph Community College. (2002). *The FAQs about college transfer* (1st ed.) [Brochure]. Asheboro, NC: Author.

Parenthetical Citation for a Brochure from a Corporate Author

(Randolph Community College [RCC], 2002, p. 2). =First citation

(RCC, 2002, p. 3). =Second citation

Sample Reference Entry for an Electronic Source from a General Website

Pisetsky, D. (1998, December 10). New treatments for rheumatoid arthritis. *OnHealth*. Retrieved January 3, 2001, from <http://www.onhealth.webmd.com>

Parenthetical Citation for an Electronic Source from a Website

(Pisetsky, 1998).

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Pisetsky, D.....	author's name
December 10, 1998.....	date posted to website/or date written
New treatments for rheumatoid arthritis.....	title of article
<i>OnHealth</i>	database
January 3, 2001.....	date entry was retrieved from website
http://www.onhealth.webmd.com	URL

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Sample Reference Entry for Electronic Source from a General Website (no author, no date, and no page given)

Fun in the woods. (n.d.). *Clongowes Wood College*. Retrieved May 8, 2003, from

<http://www.clongowes.com>

Parenthetical Citation for Unsigned Electronic Source from a Website

("Fun," n.d.).

Sample Reference Entry for Electronic source from a Reference Database

Muggeridge, M. (1988). *The most of Malcolm Muggeridge. Simpson's contemporary quotations*. Retrieved May 13, 2002, from <http://bartleby.com>

Parenthetical Citation for an Electronic Source from a Reference Database

(Muggeridge, 1988).

Interview Completed in Person, Over the Phone, or Via Email

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Parenthetical Entry for an Interview Completed in Person

(R. Heckman, personal communication, May 8, 2003).

Sample Reference Entry for a Journal article from Literature Resource Center

Piedmont, E. (1997). An overview of a good man is hard to find. *Short Stories for Students*. Retrieved August 10, 2000, from Literature Resource Center

database.

Parenthetical Citation for a GaleNet Article (Piedmont, 1997).

Sample Reference Entry for Journal article from NC LIVE with Page, Volume, and Issue Numbers

Strand, G. (2003, Winter). Diminished things. *Raritan*, 22 (3), 39-63.

Retrieved May 8, 2003, from MasterFile Premier database.

Parenthetical Citation for a Journal Article from NC LIVE with Page/Volume/Issue Numbers (Strand, 2003, p. 41).

Sample Reference Entry for Journal article from NC LIVE with Volume and Issue Numbers but No Page Number

Hass, R. B. (2005, October 21). (Re) reading Bergson: Frost, Pound and the legacy of modern poetry. *Journal of Modern Literature*, 29 (1). Retrieved August 29, 2006, from Academic Search Premier database.

Parenthetical Citation for a Journal Article from NC LIVE with Volume/Issue Numbers but No Page Number (Hass, 2005).

Sample Reference Entry for Article from Opposing Viewpoints

Cuomo, A. The federal government should work to provide affordable housing. (2002). In J. Hurley (Ed.), *The homeless: Opposing viewpoints series*. Greenhaven Press. Retrieved August 12, 2005, from Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center database.

Parenthetical Citation for Article from Opposing Viewpoints (Cuomo, 2002).

Sample Reference Entry for Article from Occupational Outlook Handbook

United States. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. (2007). *Occupational outlook handbook* (2006-2007 ed.). Washington, D.C. Retrieved August 29, 2006, from <http://www.bls.gov/oco/>

Parenthetical Citation for an Article from Occupational Outlook Handbook (United States, 2007).

Sample Reference Entries for Two Sources from the Same Author

Olsen, T. (1979). *Silences*. New York: Dell Publishing.

Olsen, T. (1985). *Tell me a riddle*. New York: Dell Publishing.

Parenthetical Citations for two sources from the Same Author

(Olsen, *Silences*, 1979, p. 33) and (Olsen, *Tell*, 1985, p. 34).

Sample Reference Entry for The Bible

The bible. (1939). Trans. J. M. P. Smith, et al. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Parenthetical Citation for Excerpt from The Bible (*The Bible*, Ezek. 1.5-10, 1939).

Sample Reference Entry for Single Episode from a Television Series

Thompson, L. (Writer), & Bloodworth, L. (Director). (1989). Big haas and little falsie

[Television series episode]. In J. Sander (Producer), *Designing Women*. New

York: New York Broadcasting Company.

Parenthetical Citation for a Television Episode (Thompson & Bloodworth, 1989).

Sample Reference Entry for a Music Recording

Rucker, D. (1992). Hannah Jane. On *Cracked Rear View* [CD]. Location: Label.

(1993)

Parenthetical Citation for a Music Recording (Rucker, 1992).

Sample Reference Entry for a DVD

Robinson, P. A. (Writer/Director), & Frankish, B. (Executive Producer). (1989). *Field*

of dreams [Motion picture]. United States: Universal City Studios

Parenthetical Citation for a DVD (Robinson & Frankish, 1989).

Sample Reference Entry for a Speech

Atwood, M. (1993, December 29). Silencing the scream. Boundaries of the Imagination

Forum. MLA Convention. Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

Parenthetical Citation for a Speech (Atwood, 1993).

Sample Reference Entry for an E-Book (from Gale Virtual Reference Library)

College blue book. (32nd ed). (2005). Detroit: MacMillan Reference USA. Retrieved

December 18, 2007, from Gale Virtual Reference Library database.

Parenthetical Citation for an E-Book (*College*, 2005, p. 1341).

Sample Reference Entry for an E-Book (with author) from NetLibrary

Fry, R. W. (1996). "*Ace*" *any test*. Franklin Lakes, NJ: The Career Press. Retrieved

December 18, 2007, from NetLibrary database.

Parenthetical Citation for an E-Book with author (Fry, 1996, p. 44).

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