Writing reference entries:
The reason why references are written is to provide readers with the necessary details to retrieve them.

The most common sources you might use in your research are books and periodicals.

Books:
Author, A. A. (year). Title of work. Location: Publisher.

Book with author:

Edited Book, no author:

Edition other than the first:

Article or chapter in an edited book:

Electronic version of print book:


Electronic-only book:

Periodicals:

Article in a journal or magazine:

Article in a newspaper:

Article from a database:

Article from an online periodical without DOI:

Article from an online periodical with doi:
**Points to remember:**

1– References should be arranged in alphabetical order according to the family name of the writer.

2– Do not bullet or number the references.

3– The second and subsequent lines of each reference entry should be indented (0.5’ or 1 tab).

4– If the author’s name is not given, start with the title of the article. In this case, disregard the articles.

**Example:** The pyramids of Egypt will follow Popes of the 5th century.

5– If you have two to seven authors, list them all.

6– If you have more than seven authors, list the first six, use an ellipsis, then list the last author.


7– Capitalize the first letter of all major words in the name of a journal.

**Example:** The Journal of Child Psychology.

8– Capitalize the first letter of the first word in the name of a book.

**Example:** The sundance writer: A rhetoric. Reader, handbook.

9– Italicize or underline the titles of all references, such as books, newspapers, and journals.

10– Do not italicize or underline titles of articles.

11– When writing the date of publication, give the year followed by the month and the day (2013, October 1) OR the year and season (2013, Winter).

12– There are many more sources, such as reports, meetings, reviews, peer commentary, doctoral dissertations, master’s theses, audiovisual media, data sets, software, measurement instruments, and unpublished works.

If you need help with these, you can always pass by the writing center or check www.apastyle.org.

**N.B.:**

(Eds.) = editors
(Ed) = editor
(5th ed.) = 5th edition
(n.d.) = no date

Doi = digital object identifier. Use it instead of the URL whenever it is given.

Location = city, country OR city, abbreviation of state.