ORIGINS OF DEMOCRACY RESEARCH

Mr. Summer 8th Grade History Presented by Ms. Gann

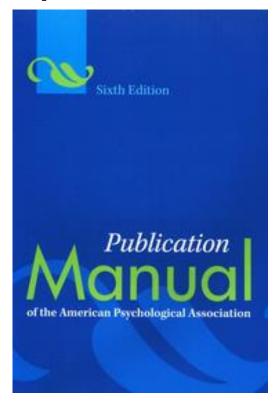


WHAT IS APA STYLE

- The American Psychological Association (APA) citation style
- APA regulates:
 - Stylistics
 - Citations
 - References

This is how your paper looks teacher requirements citation and references







YOUR HISTORY ESSAY SHOULD

Don't Forger!

- Be typed
- 12pt font (no unusual font style)use standard font (Times New Roman)
- 5 paragraph: Introduction, body (3 paragraphs minimum, and concluding paragraph that covers the topic well
- Double spaced 3-4 pages (single spaced 11/2 2) Main body of your paper
- Understandable and organized (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- Uses students own words except when quotes are used (quotes must be cited)
- Gives credit to all sources cite them within the text
- Paragraphs are logical and have unity (are only on one subject)



REFERENCE PAGE

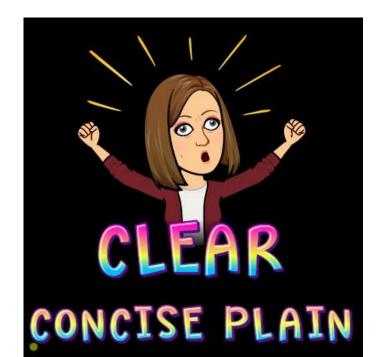
- Include at least 3 resources
- Only one website (.org .edu .gov) source may be used
- Only one encyclopedia can be used, (can be online)
- Do **not** use **Wikipedia** as an encyclopedia or a source for your paper
- Sources could be three books if you choose
- Use APA bibliographic formatting to site sources
- Your history book is <u>not</u> a source





LANGUAGE IN AN APA PAPER

- Clear: Be specific in descriptions and explanations
- Concise: put information in your own words and condense it
- Plain: use simple, descriptive adjectives do not use flowery or creative language





YOUR ESSAY SHOULD INCLUDE THREE MAJOR SECTIONS

Title page

Main Body

References





TITLE PAGE

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Date
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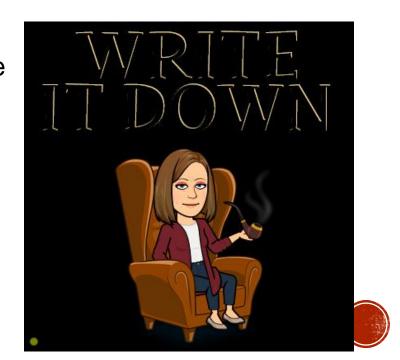
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MAIN BODY (TEXT)

- Type and center the title page information on the title page of the paper
- Type the text double-spaced with all sections following each other without a break
- Identify the sources used in the paper on the reference page



MAKING THE REFERENCE LIST

APA is a complex system of citation. When compiling the reference list, the strategy below might be useful:

- 1. Identify the type of source:
 Is it a book? A encyclopedia article? A webpage?
- Find a sample citation for this type of source Check a textbook or the OWL APA Guide: http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/
- 3. "Mirror" the sample or look at your sample APA guide
- 4. Make sure that the entries are listed in alphabetical order and that the subsequent lines are indented



USING ELECTRONIC (ONLINE) RESOURCES

- When citing an electronic document, whenever possible, cite it in the author-date style.
- Remember the url needs to be included on web resources





MAKE SURE TO PROOFREAD YOUR PAPER AND CHECK YOUR REFERENCE PAGE

- Spelling and grammar are important
- Make sure you include a reference page
 - alphabetical order
 - double spaced
 - hanging indent





QUESTIONS?

- Ask for help if you are not sure how to proceed.
- This will be posted on the library website if you need to take another look.
- Resources will also be posted there.
- Email or talk to Ms. Gann jgann@kpbsd.kl2.ak.us

