



APA Citations

HOW TO CREATE PROPER

Review: What is APA?

- ▶ The American Psychological Association (APA) citation style is most commonly used for manuscripts in social sciences
- ▶ APA regulates
 - ▶ Style
 - ▶ In-text citations
 - ▶ References (list of sources used)
- ▶ Author - Date format of citation

Remember: Why we use it?

- ▶ Give credit to the authors we gather the information from
- ▶ Prevent plagiarism
- ▶ Gives authority to our presentation
- ▶ Show audience where the information was obtained
- ▶ Allow those interested places to get more information about the presentation

Review: How do we do it?

- ▶ Author
- ▶ Date
- ▶ Title of Article
- ▶ Source

Author's Name

- ▶ The author or creator's name is the first part of a proper citation.
- ▶ Last name first, then initials of first and middle name.
- ▶ Example:

Sheehan, J. M.

- ▶ If the name of an author cannot be found, begin with title of the article.

Date

- ▶ The date the article was written or created is listed next.
- ▶ Examples:

(2017).

(2017, January).

(2017, January 6).

- ▶ If you can't find a date use (n.d.).

Title of Article

- ▶ List the title as it appears at the beginning of the article.
- ▶ If an author can't be found, the title comes BEFORE the date.
- ▶ Examples:

Germany.

German Language.

Travel in Germany.

Name of Source

- ▶ Could be the name of a web site.
- ▶ Could be the name of an online encyclopedia.
- ▶ Could be a database
- ▶ Examples:

Country Reports

The CIA World Factbook

World Book Student

Date of retrieval (first use)



- ▶ This is only included when citing online sources.
- ▶ Include only the date of first use.
- ▶ Example:

Retrieved January 15,
from

Web Address (URL)

- ▶ This is included when citing online sources.
- ▶ Copy the web address from the web site and paste it into your citation.
- ▶ A web address **alone** is **not** a proper citation!
- ▶ Examples:

<http://wak.factsonfile.com/countries-of-the-world/europe/germany.aspx>

<http://www.countryreports.org/country/Germany.htm>

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/gm.html>

<http://worldbookonline.com/student/article?id=ar222500&st=germany>

Put it all Together



Germany. (2016). *Country Reports*. Retrieved January 22, 2018, from <http://www.countryreports.org/country/Germany.htm>

Sheehan, J. (2017). Germany. *World Book Student*. Retrieved January 22, 2018, from <http://worldbookonline.com/student/article?id=ar222500&st=germany>

Things to consider

- ▶ **References:**
- ▶ Reserve your final slide for your list of References.
- ▶ Just as if you were writing a research paper, the list needs to be alphabetized, and contain the full citation for the resources you referenced.
- ▶ Due to space considerations, you will not be able to use double-spacing within and between your citations; however, you still need to use **hanging indents!**

Things to Remember

- ▶ Only sources used should be included in References.
- ▶ References are arranged in alphabetical order by the first word in citation.
- ▶ A web address or a URL on its own IS NOT a proper citation.
- ▶ If in doubt if you have done it correctly ask your teacher
- ▶ Mirror the sources listed with your information
- ▶ Good Luck!

References

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Thank you for listening!

QUESTIONS?

ASK MS. GANN OR MR. FELCHLE

MORE INFORMATION SEE APA STYLE

[HTTP://WWW.APASTYLE.ORG/](http://www.apastyle.org/)