



# APA Citations

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**HOW TO CREATE PROPER  
APA CITATION**

**AND WHY???**



# Why Create Citations

- Avoid plagiarism by citing sources that were used
- Be a responsible scholar and give credit to other researchers
- Let your reader track the sources that were used
- Gives authority to your presentation

# How do we begin

- It is an author date format
- First find the author of the resource
- Then the date it was published
- Then the name of resource
- Source address or url if from the web

# Author's Name

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

(2020).

(2020, October).

(2020, October 1).

- 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 of Article titles:

Brazil

Language of Brazil

Travel in Brazil

# Name of Source

- A website
- An online encyclopedia
- A database
- Website of choice
- These are three you can choose from:

*The CIA World Factbook*

*World Book Online*

*Country Reports*

# Date of retrieval (first use)

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

Retrieved October 6, 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!
- Can use a citation generator like [Bibme](#) if you choose

Government. (2019, October 8). Retrieved October 5, 2020, from <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/br.html>

# Put it all Together

CountryReports (2020) CountryReports  
[Electronic version]. Retrieved Mon. Oct.6,  
2020, from  
<http://www.countryreports.org/country/Brazil/government.htm>

Hanley, A. G. (2020). Brazil. In World Book  
Student. Retrieved Mon. Oct. 6, 2019, from  
<http://worldbookonline.com/student/article?id=ar074760>

# Review...

- 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.

# References

Brazil. (2019, September 24). Retrieved Mon. Oct. 5, 2020, from <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/br.html>

CountryReports (2020). CountryReports [Electronic version]. Retrieved Mon. Oct. 9, 2019, from <http://www.countryreports.org/country/Brazil/government.htm>

Hanley, A. G. (2020). Brazil. In World Book Student. Retrieved Mon. Oct. 5, 2020, from <http://worldbookonline.com/student/article?id=ar074760>

# Questions

- Ask Mr. Felchle
- Ask Ms. Gann
- Email Ms. Gann [jgann@kpbsd.k12.ak.us](mailto:jgann@kpbsd.k12.ak.us)
- Follow examples and mirror the one that is like what you are citing
- Don't forget to cite your sources in APA this is an important part of your assignment.

# Thank You!!

Good luck with your presentation!