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(In-text citation) in brackets	Reference list format

Electronic media

Journal article viewed online

(Curwin, 2010)	Curwin, R. L. (2010). Motivating urban youth. *Reclaiming Children and Youth, 19*(1), 35-39. Retrieved from www.reclaimingjournal.com
(Sinharay, Puhan, & Haberman, 2010)	Sinharay, S., Puhan, G., & Haberman, S. J. (2010). Reporting diagnostic scores in educational testing: Temptations, pitfalls, and some solutions. *Multivariate Behavioral Research, 45*, 553-573. doi:10.1080/00273171.2010.483382

Website

(American Psychological Association, 2010)	American Psychological Association. (2010). Ethical principles of psychologists and code of conduct. Retrieved from http://apa.org/ethics/code/index.aspx

Website which changes frequently (with paragraph number in in-text citation)

("Psychology," 2001, para. 12)	Psychology. (2001). Retrieved December 5, 2010, from http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Psychology

Website with no date

(Australian Permanent Mission to the United Nations, n.d.)	Australian Permanent Mission to the United Nations. (n.d.). Current issues. Retrieved from http://www.australiaun.org/unny/resources.html

Electronic version of a print book

(James, 1890)	James, W. (1890). *The principles of psychology.* New York, NY: Holt. Retrieved from http://ebooks.adelaide.edu.au

Newspaper or Magazine article viewed online

(Rotherham, 2010)	Rotherham, A. J. (2010, October 21). Paging Principal Skinner: Evaluating school leaders. *Time*. Retrieved from http://www.time.com/time/nation/article/0,8599,2026632,00.html

Online forum or discussion/Electronic mail list/Blog post

(Mather, 2010)	Mather, P.-A. (2010, September 24). Re: Medium of instruction for Creole languages [Online forum comment]. Retrieved from http://linguistlist.org/sp/get-discussion.cfm?submissionid=2649196

Facebook page (publically available page with estimated date)

(Webb, ca. 2010)	Webb, D. [ca. 2010]. All about psychology. In *Facebook* [Profile page]. Retrieved December 6, 2010, from http://www.facebook.com/pages/#!/psychologyonline

Emails – *see Other Source Types - Personal communication*

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Periodicals – journals, magazines and newspapers

Journal article with one author

(Habel, 2009)

Habel, C. (2009). Academic self-efficacy in ALL: Capacity-building through self-belief. *Journal of Academic Language and Learning, 3*(2), A94-A104.

Journal article with six or more authors

(Amsel et al., 2009)

Amsel, E., Johnston, A., Alvarado, E., Kettering, J., Rankin, L. & Ward, M. (2009). The effect of perspective on misconceptions in psychology: A test of conceptual change theory. *Journal of Instructional Psychology, 36*, 289-295.

Journal article with eight or more authors

(Crisp et al., 2009)

Crisp, G., Palmer, E., Turnbull, D., Nettelbeck, T., Ward, L., LeCouteur, A. ... Schneider, L. (2009). First year student expectations: Results from a university-wide student survey. *Journal of University Teaching and Learning Practice, 6*(1), 13-26. Retrieved from http://ro.uow.edu.au/jutlp

Magazine article

(Kluger, Sharples, & Silver, 2007)

Kluger, J., Sharples, T., & Silver, A. (2007). What makes us moral. *Time, 170*(23), 54-60.

Newspaper article with no author

("A second shot," 2010)

A second shot at education enriches us all. (2010, October 21). *The Advertiser*, p. 16.

Books

Book with one author (with city and country for publisher & page number for specific idea or quotation in in-text citation)

(O'Shea, 2009, p. 6)

O'Shea, P. (2009). *So you think you can learn: An evidence based guide to improving learning*. Brisbane, Australia: Cadamon.

Book with more than one author (with city and state for publisher)

(Haslam, Reicher, & Platow, 2010)

Haslam, S. A., Reicher, S., & Platow, M. (2010). *The new psychology of leadership: Identity, influence, and power*. New York, NY: Psychology Press.

Book with DOI

(Spolsky & Hult, 2007)

Spolsky, B., & Hult, F. M. (2007). *The handbook of educational linguistics*. doi: 10.1111/ b.9781405154109.2007.x

Book with group/corporation/association/government agency as author

(American Psychological Association, 2010)

American Psychological Association. (2010). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (6th ed.). Washington, DC: Author.

Book chapter

(Juslin, 2008)

Juslin, P. N. (2008). Emotional responses to music. In S. Hallam, I. Cross, & M. Thaut (Eds.), *The Oxford handbook of music psychology* (pp. 377-389). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

Book with several editions

(Fromkin, 2009)

Fromkin, V. (2009). *An introduction to language* (6th ed.). South Melbourne: Cengage Learning Australia.

Book with a volume number

(McIntosh, Samuels, & Benskin, 2005)

McIntosh, A., Samuels, M. L., & Benskin, M. (1987). *A linguistic atlas of late mediaeval English: Vol. 3. Linguistic profiles*. New York, NY: Aberdeen University Press.

Book written in a foreign language *(give a translation of the book title only)*

(Molinari & Labella, 2007)

Molinari, E., & Labella, A. (2007). *Psicologia clinica: Dialoghi e confronti* [Clinical psychology: Dialogue and confrontation]. Milan: Springer.

Translated book

(Debray, 2007)   Debray, R. (2007). *Praised be our lords: A political education* (J. Howe, Trans.). London, England: Verso.

Classics/the Koran/the Bible

(Aristotle, trans. 1912)   *No entry on reference list*

(Qu'ran 22:46)

(2 Timothy 3:14, New International Version)

Other source types

Lecture notes/course materials given online

(Coddington, 2000)   Coddington, P. (2000). Internet computing [Lecture notes]. Retrieved from http://www.dhpc.adelaide.edu.au/education/dhpc/2000/internet.pdf

(Glonek, 2010)   Glonek, G. (2010). Session 12: Summary of advanced methods [video]. In *Writing and Speaking at Uni: Researcher Education & Development: Statistics for Research Students* (online course, University of Adelaide, Australia). Retrieved from https://myuni.adelaide.edu.au

Conference paper

(Falkner, McEntee, Palmer, & Botten, 2008)   Falkner, K., McEntee, J., Palmer, E., & Botten, J. (2008). Establishing an education community of practice. *31st Conference of Higher Education Research & Development Society of Australasia: Engaging Communities.* Retrieved from http://www.herdsa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/conference/2008/media/Falkner.pdf

Symposium contribution/Conference presentation

(McGrath, 2009)   McGrath, H. (2009, May). An evidence-based positive psychology approach to student wellbeing. In *The First Australian Positive Psychology in Education Symposium.* Symposium conducted at the meeting of the Australian Positive Psychology Association, Sydney, Australia.

Thesis

(Leahy, 2009)   Leahy, C. (2009). *Peer responses to psychologically distressed tertiary students: The detection of distress and the helping behaviours of student colleagues from medicine, compared to psychology, law and mechanical engineering students* (Doctoral thesis, University of Adelaide, Australia). Retrieved from http://digital.library.adelaide.edu.au/dspace/handle/2440/56314

Entry in a dictionary/an encyclopaedia

("Evil, creativity and spirituality," 2010)   Evil, creativity and spirituality. (2010). In D. A. Leeming, K. Madden, & S. Marlan (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of psychology and religion* (pp. 198-199). New York, NY: Springer. Retrieved from: http://www.springerlink.com

Personal communication (letters, emails, memos, interviews, telephone conversations)

(M. Augoustinos, personal communication, November 11, 2010)   *No entry on reference list*

Radio or television podcast/broadcast

(*Great myths,* 2010)   *Great myths of popular psychology* [Audio podcast]. (2010, February 22). Retrieved from http://www.abc.net.au/rn/counterpoint/stories/2010/2826814.htm

("False memories," 2010)   False memories [Television series episode]. (2010). In *Catalyst.* Sydney, Australia: ABC Television. Retrieved from http://www.abc.net.au/catalyst/stories/2848614.htm

CD-ROM/DVD/Film/Maps/Pamphlet/Video

("Understanding Drug Use," 1998)   Understanding Drug Use [Computer software]. (1998). Perth, Australia: WA Alcohol and Drug Authority in conjunction with Southern Public Health Unit.

Patent

(Keller & Dolan, 2004)   Keller, E. B., & Dolan, M. J. (2004). *U.S. Patent No. 7,653,568.* Washington, DC: U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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Online versions
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American Psychological Association. (2010). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (6th ed.). Washington, DC: Author.

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http://www.apastyle.org/apa-style-help.aspx
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http://blog.apastyle.org/apastyle/social-media/

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