6.5.1.1 Citing source in the text

You should include the author's last name (or the title of the work) and the page number of the work in a parenthetical citation inside your writing.

e.g. Socket connection is more reliable than datagram (Smith 125).

If you want to cite more than one page, it will be in this form: (Smith 125-129).

e.g. Smith stated that socket connection was more reliable than datagram (125).

If you reference list has more than one author with the same family name, you should include their first initial.

e.g. (P. Smith 125) (A. Smith 237)

6.5.1.2 Reference List

Books

Author(s). Title of Book. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication.

Book with one author


Book with two or three authors


Note that the first author's name is reversed as usual, and subsequent names are given first-name-first.

Book with more than three authors

An article in a scholarly journal

Author(s). "Title of Article." Title of Journal Vol (Year): pages.

"Vol" - volume number of the journal.

e.g. Thelwall, Mike. “Commercial Web Sites: Lost in Cyberspace.” Internet Research 10 (2000): 150-159.

If page number of each issue starts from 1, you need to provide the issue number following the volume,


Where 19 is volume number and 3 is the issue number.

Magazine or newspaper article

Author(s). "Title of Article." Title of Source Date: pages.


A web site

Author(s). Name of Page. Date of Posting/Revision. Name of organization which owns the site. Date of Access <electronic address>.

Web site examples


APA Style

Citing Source in Text

The in-text citation of APA is quite similar to MLA. The normal form is the author name followed by publication year inside parentheses.
One Work by a Single Author

e.g. Socket connection is more reliable than datagram (Smith, 2003).

It is possible that the author's name may appear in the sentence itself and not in parentheses. You should use this form when the author's name is a natural part of the sentences.

e.g. According to a recent investigation of Smith (2003), Socket connection is more reliable than datagram.

Reference list

Books

Author(s)(Year of publication). Title of Book. Place of Publication: Publisher.

• With one author

  e.g. Chan, H (1999). Bluetooth. Hong Kong: Able.


• With two authors


  (Note: all subsequent authors also start with last name first, then followed by first name, etc.)

Article in a Journal

Author(s) (Year). Title of Article. Title of Journal, Vol, pages.

(for the case of each issue starts with page one)


  (for the case that the page number continues from one issue to other issue in the same volume)

Edited Book

**Magazine or newspaper Article**

Author(s) (Date). Title of Article. *Title of Source*, pages.


**Website**

Author(s) (Date of Posting/Revision). Name of Page. Retrieved month day, year of access, from Name of organization which owns the site: electronic address.


Note: Italics is now preferred over underlining in APA style for title of the book, journal, or the report on a web site.