

# APA 6th Edition Cheat Sheet

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## Reference Page:

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- An article from a book:  
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In editor's last name, initials (Ed.), *Title*. (page numbers for  
article). Location: Publisher.
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Name of corporate body. (Year of publication). *Title*.  
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- Bible:  
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- An unpublished dissertation:  
Author's last name, initials. (Year accepted). *Title*.  
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university, city of institution, state of institution.
- Article in periodical:  
Author's last name, initials. (Year of publication). Title of  
article. *Title of periodical*, volume number, pages. Retrieved  
from: Web address or Digital Object Identifier. [for online  
retrieval only].
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## Paper Format:

- **Margins:** 1 inch on all sides
- **Spacing:** Double-spaced
- **Title Page:**
  - Title of the paper
  - Name(s) of the author(s)
  - Name of the institution
  - Author Note (p. 24)
- **Abstract** (p. 25)
- **Page numbers:** should be in the upper right-hand  
corner of each page
- **Paper** should be 8 ½ by 11 inch white paper
- **Typeface** should be Times New Roman or  
Courier 12 point
- **Running Head: TITLE** (from left margin in  
header)

## Quotes:

- Quotations of fewer than 40 words should be  
incorporated into the text and enclosed with quotation  
marks.
- Quotations of 40 or more words should be typed  
as a double-spaced block with an additional ½ margin  
and no quotation marks.

## Documenting Sources:

- After quoting or paraphrasing provide a  
parenthetical citation:
  - (author's last name, year of publication, page  
number).
  - Example: (Harper, 2001, p. 47).
  - Commas should be between each element
  - p. or pp. should be before the page  
number(s)
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used and if at the end with the period for the  
sentence should be after the citation.
  - With three to six authors first citation should  
use everyone's names then use et al for the  
rest of the citations. Seven or more use et al.  
from beginning.
  - Use (as cited in Harper, 2001, p. 47) for  
material quoted from other sources
  - When there are no page numbers, use  
paragraph number.