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**APA: American Psychological Association**, in its first edition, was published in 1929. This formatting citation style is very often used in the social sciences (education, psychology, sociology, and anthropology). As the MLA style, the APA is also based on in-text citation. However, unlike the MLA, emphasis is given to the year of publication rather than the page number in addition to the author’s name as it is illustrated in this example:

(Elkins, 1968) for a cited work (ex: Elkins (1968) states ....or..... (Elkins, 1968), but

(Elkins, 1968, p.181) for a direct quote.

**In text citation: two authors:**

(Author 1 Last Name & Author 2 Last Name, Year of publication)

Example: (Collins& Davis, 2007)

**In text citation: three up to five authors:**

(Author 1 Last Name, Author 2 Last Name, Author 3 Last Name, Author 4 Last Name, & Author 5 Lest Name, Year of publication)

Example: (Fox, Davis, Warren, Miller, & Swaen, 2017)

**In text citation: more than six authors:**

(Author 1 Last Name et al., Year of Publication)

Example:

(Fox et al., 2017)

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When no author is found, use the shortened form of the title and the date of publication.

**Example:**

(The origins of Slavery, 1998)

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(The name of the Organization, Year of Publication)

**Example:**

(The British Social Association, 2000)

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(Fox, n.d.)

Publication information about the book will be available in the references list where it will be formatted in this way:

**A book in print:**

Author Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title in Sentence Case*. City,State: Publisher(s).

Elkins, S. M. (1968). *Slavery: A Problem in American Institutional and Intellectual Life*. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press.

**A Book Accessed on a Website:**

Author’s Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title.* Retrieved from URL

**Example:**

Fox, S.R. (2008). *The Lost Past: The History of the Zulu Tribes*. Retrieved from http://books.google.com

## E-Books:

Author’s Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title* [Ebook platform version]. Retrieved from ebook platform URL

**Example:**

Fox, S.R. (2008). *The Lost Past: The History of the Zulu Tribes* [Kindle version]. Retrieved from <https://www.amazon.com>

**Online books:**

Author’s Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title.* Retrieved from URL for Database

**Example:**

Fox, S.R. (2008). *The Lost Past: The History of the Zulu Tribes.* Retrieved from http://www.infobasepublishing.com

## An Edited Book with No Author

Editor’s Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title.* City, State: Publisher(s).

**Example:**

Davidson, R.D. (Ed). (2014). *Towards a Full Integration of Technology in Educational Settings*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

**An Edited Book With Author Available**

Author’s Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title.* Editor First Initial. Middle Initial. Last Name (Ed.). City, State: Publisher(s).

**Example:**

Stevens, R.P. (2003). *The Glorious Past*, Davidson, R.D. (Ed). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

**Book With Translator:**

Author’s Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title.* translator First Initial. Middle Initial. Last Name(Trans.). City, State: Publisher(s).

**Example:**

Stevens, R.P. (2003). *The Glorious Past*, D.H. Fan (Trans.). New York, NY: Oxford University Press. (original work published in 1918).

**Editions of Books**

The edition number is listed if the cited version is other than the first as it is shown

Author’s Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title.*(Edition number ed.). City, State: Publisher(s).

**Example:**

Stevens, R.P. (2003). *The Glorious Past* (2nd ed.). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

**Multi-Volume Works:**

Editor’s Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Ed.). (Year of Publication). *Title.* (Vol. Volume Number). City, State: Publisher(s).

**Example:**

Davidson, R.D. (Ed.). (2014). *Towards a Full Integration of Technology in Educational Settings*(Vol.1). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

**Book Chapters**

Chapter Author Last Name, First Initial. Middle Initial. (Year of Publication). *Title of chapter.* In Editor First Initial. Middle Initial. Last Name (Ed.), *Book title* (pp. pages of chapter). City, State: Publisher(s).

**Example:**

White, S.T. (2011).Implementing ICTs in Education. InDavidson, R.D. (Ed.). *Towards a Full Integration of Technology in Educational Settings* (pp66-98). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.