

APA (American Psychological Association) 6th is an author-date referencing style where you have an in-text citation and a related entry in a reference list at the end of your document.

APA 6th - film, television, radio, video or podcast

Mention significant, or relevant, contributors (producer, writer, director etc). For example, if you were quoting the narrator, include the narrator's name.

Reference list

Add a reference list at the end of your essay, citing all sources used in the body of your writing. The reference list should be in alphabetical order by the first author's surname.

Motion picture or audio recording

Format

Producer (Prod.), Director (Dir.) or whichever is relevant.
(Year of publication). *Title of work* [Medium of publication].
Country of origin: Studio.

Narrator (Narr.), Director (Dir.) or whichever is relevant.
(Year of publication). "Title of chapter." In Producer
(Producer), *Title of work* [Medium of publication]. Country
of origin: Studio.

Example

Carlisle, V. (Writ. & Prod.), & Smith, R. (Dir.). (2003).
Winemaking in New Zealand [DVD]. Auckland, New
Zealand: University of Auckland.

Hood, G. (Dir.) (2014). "Director's Commentary." In O. S.
Card, R. Chartoff, D. Coatsworth, D. D. Prete, L. Hendee, A.
Johnston ... I. Zhong (Producers), *Ender's game* [DVD].
USA: Icon Film.

Television or radio broadcast

The first example is a standalone work. The second example shows how to reference one episode of a series; it takes a similar format to referencing a chapter in a book.

Format

Writer (Writ.), Director (Dir.), Performer (Perf.) or whichever is relevant. (Broadcast date). *Title of programme* , [Medium of publication]. Country of broadcast: Network.

Writer (Writ.), Director (Dir.), Performer (Perf.) or whichever is relevant. (Broadcast date). Title of episode [Medium of publication]. In Producer (Producer), *Title of series* . Country of broadcast: Network.

Example

Melamede, Y., Heicht, A., Fine, S., Fine, A. N., & Michael, E. (Prod.). (2015, Nov. 8). *Inocente* [Television documentary]. New Zealand: Māori Television.

Curran, J. (Writ.), Offwood, C. & Backlund, B. (Dirs.). (2012, Jan. 17). Episode two [Television series episode]. In J. Callan (Exec. Prod.), *Primeval New Zealand* . New Zealand: TVNZ.

Television or radio on demand

On-demand television or radio describes media that has been broadcast and stored in an online database for future retrieval. If the database is accessible by subscription only, give the URL of the homepage.

Format

Writer (Writ.), Director (Dir.), Performer (Perf.) or whichever is relevant. (Broadcast date). *Title of programme* [Medium of publication]. Country of broadcast: Network. Retrieved from URL

Writer (Writ.), Director (Dir.), Performer (Perf.) or whichever is relevant. (Broadcast date). Title of episode [Medium of publication]. In Producer (Prod.), *Title of series* . Country of broadcast: Network. Retrieved from URL

Example

Holt, I., & Wilkinson, J. (Prod.), Wilkinson, J. (Dir.). (2016, May 21). *The truth about sugar* [Television documentary]. New Zealand: Prime Television. Retrieved from <http://www.etv.org.nz>

Tennant, D. (Narr.), Pilley, R. (Prod.). (2013, April 14). Flying high [Television series episode]. In J. Downer (Series Prod.), *Earthflight* . New Zealand: Prime Television. Retrieved from <http://www.etv.org.nz>

Online video or podcast

Media sharing websites often use stable URLs that link directly to the source. If the uploader has a real name and a screen name, add their screen name in square brackets [...] after their real name, otherwise just use their screen name.

Format

Screen name. (Date of publication). *Title of Work* [Medium of publication]. Retrieved from URL

Uploader's Real Name [screen name]. (Date of publication). *Title of Work* [Medium of publication]. Retrieved from URL

Example

Sicoe, V. (2013, May 17). *Backstory - all about Eve (behind the scenes documentary)* [Video file]. Retrieved from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a98Bcu55nAM>

Dunning, B. [volleybrian]. (2011, Jan. 12). *inFact: Conspiracy theories* [Video file]. Retrieved from <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AEijdTeBMRM&index=5&feature=plcp>

Jones, R. C. (Producer). (2015, Oct. 9). *Revolutionaries: Artificial intelligence* [Audio podcast]. Retrieved from <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p034t02l>

Two to seven contributors

Place a comma preceding an '&' before the last author's name.

Format

Contributor One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, & Seven (Prods.) or whichever is relevant. (Broadcast date). *Title of programme*, [Medium of publication]. Country of broadcast: Network.

Example

Melamede, Y., Heicht, A., Fine, S., Fine, A. N., & Michael, E. (Prods.). (2015, Nov. 8). *Inocente* [Television documentary]. New Zealand: Māori Television.

Eight or more contributors

List the first six contributors' names, insert ellipses, then add the last contributor.

Format

Contributor One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, ... Last (Prods.) or whichever is relevant. (Broadcast date). *Title of programme* , [Medium of publication]. Country of broadcast: Network.

Example

Cole, R., Swift, M., Moffat, D. A., Carl, E., Gao, Z. Plimmer, G., ... Norton, J. S. (Writs.). (2010, Aug. 10). In vogue [Television series episode]. In M. Tullock (Prod.), *Look who's talking* . New Zealand: Prime Television.

[An example reference list](#)

See also: [multiple works by the same author](#) , [one source cited in another](#) , [similar information from multiple works](#) , [abbreviations](#) .

In-text citation

When you use another person's ideas or words in your text include the author's name and publication date.

If you use the author's name as part of a sentence, include the date of publication in brackets.

One contributor

- ... in a recent broadcast (Tennant, 2013). Another view, according to Tennant (2013), was that ...
- In a recent broadcast, Tennant (2013) suggested that ... Another view, according to Tennant, was that ...

Two contributors

Use 'and' between the contributors' surnames when they form part of the sentence. Use '&' when they are enclosed within parentheses.

- ... in a recent study (Holt & Wilkinson, 2016). Another finding, according to Holt and Wilkinson (2016), was that ...
- In a recent study, Holt and Wilkinson (2016) showed that ... Another finding, according to Holt and Wilkinson, was that ...

Three to five contributors

List all surnames in the first citation, but subsequently, only the first listed contributor is used, followed by et al. A comma

precedes 'and' and '&' when there are three or more contributors.

- ... in a recent study (Melamede, Heicht, Fine, Fine, & Michael, 2015). Another finding, according to Melamede et al. (2015), was that ...
- In a recent study, Melamede, Heicht, Fine, Fine, and Michael (2015) showed that ... Another finding, according to Melamede et al., was that ...

Six or more contributors

Cite only the surname of the first contributor followed by 'et al.'

- ... in a recent study (Cole et al., 2010). Another finding, according to Cole et al. (2010), was that ...
- In a recent study, Cole et al. (2010) showed that ... Another finding, according to Cole et al., was that ...

See also: [Multiple works by the same author, Similar information from multiple works, One source quoted in another](#)

[An example paragraph](#)

See also: [more on paraphrasing ...](#)

Quoting

Direct quotes of less than 40 words require quotation marks and the page number/s.

- The narrator said that "these first flights are always the most stressful" (Tennant, 2013).
- Tennant (2013) said that "these first flights are always the most stressful".

See also: [more on quoting, including long quotes ...](#)

This material is based on the [Publication manual of the American Psychological Association](#) (2010), the [APA style guide to electronic references](#) (2012) and the [APA style blog](#). For further information, please consult the manuals directly.