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For the date of publication include the year, month, day. Add an edition if relevant, e.g., 'early ed'.

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Reference list

Add a reference list entitled **References** at the end of your essay, citing all sources used in the body of your writing, except for personal communications.

The reference list should be in alphabetical order by the first author's surname (last name).

The first line of each reference should be aligned with the left margin. Second and subsequent lines should be indented seven spaces (1.27cm).

One author

Format (Electronic)

Author. (Date of publication). Title of article. *Name of Newspaper* , section/page number(s). <https://xxx>

Format (Print)

Author. (Date of publication). Title of article. *Name of Newspaper* , section/page number(s).

Examples

Cain-Miller, C. (2017, April 10). It's not just Fox: Why women don't report sexual harassment. *The New York Times*. <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/04/10/upshot/its-not-just-fox-why-women-dont-report-sexual-harassment.html>

Stock, R. (2009, May 10). A sticky situation for honey industry. *Sunday Star Times* , D3.

Two to twenty authors

Format (Electronic)

Author One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine, Ten, Eleven, Twelve, Thirteen, Fourteen, Fifteen, Sixteen, Seventeen, Eighteen, Nineteen, & Twenty. (Date of publication). Title of article. *Name of Newspaper* , section/ page number(s). <https://xxx>

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Author One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine, Ten, Eleven, Twelve, Thirteen, Fourteen, Fifteen, Sixteen, Seventeen, Eighteen, Nineteen, & Twenty. (Date of publication). Title of article. *Name of Newspaper* , section/ page number(s).

Examples

Goldstein, M., Eder, S., Kelly, K., Stevenson, A., & Protes, B. (2017, March 31). Bannon made millions in shaping right-wing thought. *The New York Times* , A15. <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/03/31/business/dealbook/how-some-top-trump-aides-made-their-fortunes.html>

Ots, A., Hawkins, B., & Taylor, A. (1996, February 14). Asthma achievement awards. *Evening Post* , 7.

Twenty-one or more authors

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Author One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine, Ten, Eleven, Twelve, Thirteen, Fourteen, Fifteen, Sixteen, Seventeen, Eighteen, Nineteen, ... Last. (Date of publication). Title of article. *Name of Newspaper* , section/ page number(s). <https://xxx>

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Author One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Nine, Ten, Eleven, Twelve, Thirteen, Fourteen, Fifteen, Sixteen, Seventeen, Eighteen, Nineteen, ... Last. (Date of publication). Title of article. *Name of Newspaper* , section/ page number(s).

Group as author

Note: Group could be an organisation, association, government department, study group, etc.

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Name of Organisation. (Date of publication). Title of article.
Name of Newspaper , section/page number(s). https://xxx

Format (Print)

Name of Organisation . (Date of publication). Title of article. *Name of Newspaper* , section/page number(s).

Unknown author

If the author is **unknown** , place the title in the author position followed by the date of publication.

Format (Electronic)

Title of article. (Date of publication). *Name of Newspaper* , section/page number(s). https://xxx

Format (Print)

Title of article. (Date of publication). *Name of Newspaper* , section/page number(s).

Examples

Former spy boss David Irvine appointed head of foreign investment board. (2017, April 8). *The Sydney Morning Herald* . https://bit.ly/2OrixWx

Honey gives up healthy secret. (2009, April 18). *New Zealand Herald* , A13.

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In-text citation

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

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

If there is no year of publication use the abbreviation (n.d.) for no date.

One author

- Women who experience sexual harassment in the workplace are reluctant to report it due to the fear of retaliation (Cain-Miller, 2017). Cain-Miller (2017) reported that this could be in the form of losing their job, loss of careers opportunities and are labelled as troublemakers.

Note: If you use a Parenthetical Citation the first time, followed by a Narrative Citation, you need to repeat the date.

- Collins (2016) suggested that a lack of resourcing in mental health services has exacerbated the crisis. Another finding, according to Collins, is that homelessness is on the rise.

Note: If you use a Narrative Citation the first time, followed by another Narrative Citation, you can omit the date. But, if you use a Parenthetical Citation the next time you need to include the date.

Two authors

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

- The boreal caribou are still declining five years after a protection agreement was introduced (McCarthy & Semeniuk, 2017). McCarthy and Semeniuk (2017) stated this was caused by the continued disturbance of caribou habitat.

Note: If you use a Parenthetical Citation the first time, followed by a Narrative Citation, you need to repeat the date.

- McCarthy and Semeniuk (2017) found that forestry, mining, oil and gas development have impacted on the habitat of the boreal caribou.

Note: If you use a Narrative Citation the first time, followed by another Narrative Citation, you can omit the date. But, if you use a Parenthetical Citation the next time you need to include the date.

Three or more authors

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

- ... financial disclosures by the White House (Goldstein et al., 2017). According to Goldstein et al. (2017), income and assests ...

Note: If you use a Parenthetical Citation the first time, followed by a Narrative Citation, you need to repeat the date.

- Goldstein et al. (2017) discussed the wealth of the chief strategist ... This political news, as claimed by Goldstein et al., was ...

Note: If you use a Narrative Citation the first time, followed by another Narrative Citation, you can omit the date. But, if you use a Parenthetical Citation the next time you need to include the date.

Unknown author

For the title of the article with no author use **Title Case** with double quotation marks. For a long title use only the first few words.

- ... federal government's regulator on foreign investments ("Former Spy Boss David Irvine", 2017).
- In the article "Honey Gives Up Healthy Secret" (2009), University of Waikato researchers report on their latest discovery regarding Manuka honey.

Note: In the reference list use **Sentence case** i.e. only capitalise the first word of the title, first word of a subtitle or first word after a colon, plus proper nouns.

Example:

Honey gives up healthy secret. (2009, April 18). *New Zealand Herald*, A13.

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[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 territory of the boreal caribou "extends across the country from Yukon to Labrador" (McCarthy & Semeniuk, 2017, p. A8).

- McCarthy and Semeniuk (2017) stated that “Canada’s iconic boreal caribou population faces a troubled future” (p. A8).

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

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