



NoodleBib* APA STYLE CITATION *TIPSHEET

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NoodleBib allows you to quickly generate, edit and publish an MLA Works Cited List or APA Reference list that complies with all of the rules detailed in the most current versions of the MLA Handbook and APA Publication Manual. **NoodleBib produces a polished source list that you can import directly into your Word document.** This is accomplished by choosing “my list” at the top menu (when you have completed all of your citations) and then click on your source list for your research project, for example – you are working on an English 101 research paper and you named your project “English 101” and that list contains all of the citations you completed for that project. Once your list is displayed – choose “Save as a word doc” from the top menu. If you are not at your personal computer, you can either print out the list or email it to yourself.

The following citation examples for the APA style are provided within this Tipsheet:

- 1) Academic Journal article from a library subscription database such as CINAHL PLUS
- 2) Print Reference Book
- 3) An EBook from NetLibrary
- 4) General Website

1) ACADEMIC JOURNAL ARTICLE FROM A LIBRARY SUBSCRIPTION DATABASE) (APA)

(General instructions for library subscription databases such as CINAHL PLUS and Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection) – A majority of the databases subscribed through the TCL Learning Resource Center provide links to “source type” (example whether your source is a magazine or academic journal) by linking on the name of the article/entry in the search results list. You can also link to the “catalog record” which provides information on source type, URL, publisher, etc. You need to know as much as possible about your source to answer all of the questions NoodleBib will ask.

How to Cite an Academic Journal Article from a Library Subscription Database?

Step 1: Select “APA Advanced” from the Choose the list and style version section.

Step 2: Provide a brief description of your paper/project. (Example: Individualized Nursing Care Report).

Step 3: Click “Create List” button

Step 4: At the next screen, select “Journal” as the citation type from the pull down menu at the top

Step 5: Leave the default “Journal” selection at the next screen because it includes “e – journal”. But make sure your source is an academic journal and not a magazine. If not sure, access the highlighted link “Click here” under the magazine option at the bottom of the screen to see the difference between the two types of sources.

Step 6: Select “Online” as the publication medium at the next screen

Step 7: At next screen, leave the default “ basic journal article” as a response to the question “what specifically are you citing” but read through all options to insure which type of source you are citing. In the next section at this same screen, you will normally select “Aggregated database” in response to the question “How can your reader find this source again?”

Example of an APA citation for an academic journal article from an online library subscription database –continued

Step 8: At the next screen, the following sections are the most common sections you will need to complete but read through all carefully to insure you are providing thorough information.

Name of Journal: (for example: Journal of Family Nursing)

Title of Article: (for example: “A family’s beliefs about cancer, dying and death in the end of life”)

Author(s) names: (for example: I. James, B. Andershed and B.M. Ternestedt) – press the “add” button after keying in each authors name.

Page number(s): (for example: 226-252)

Volume number: (for example: 13)

Issue number: (for example: 2)

Publication or copyright date: (for example: May 2007)

Date of access: (the default is the present date)-change this if accessed at an earlier date

Name of aggregated database: (for example: CINAHL PLUS)

URL: (for example:

<http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=rzh&AN=2009570382&site=ehost-live>)

Step 9: Click “check for errors” button

Step 10: Correct errors (if any)

Step 11: Click “update citation” button

Step 12: Next screen, APA style citation is provided: (Our example citation provided below).

James, I., Andershed, B., & Ternestedt, B.M. (2007, May). A family’s beliefs about cancer, dying and death in the end of life. *Journal of Family Nursing*, 13(2), 226-252. Retrieved May 25, 2007, from CINAHL PLUS database:
<http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=rzh&AN=2009570382&site=ehost-live>

2) PRINT REFERENCE BOOK(APA)

How to cite a print reference book (encyclopedia, dictionary, thesaurus, directory, manual/handbook, biography, etc)?

Step 1: Select “APA” in response to “Choose the list style and version”

Step 2: Provide a brief description of your paper/project. For example: “Emergency room nursing”

Step 3: Click “Create List” button

Step 4: At the next screen, choose “Reference source” as the citation type from the pull down menu at the top of the screen.

Step 5: At next screen, leave the default “Reference book” selection but look through the other options to insure your source is a reference book

Step 6: At the next screen, select “Print” at the publication medium

Step 7: Select the correct reference source type (our example is a handbook/manual – therefore “Other” is Selected. At the same screen in the next section, choose what content you are citing (entire book or single article).

Sample Print Reference book APA citation -- continued

Step 8: At the next screen, the following sections would normally be completed but review all to insure you are providing thorough information on your particular source.

Title of reference book: (for example: Professional guide to signs & symptoms)

Title of reference book entry: (for example: Emergency interventions)

Author(s) - if any – key in names & press “add” after each authors name

Editor(s) – if any- key in names & press “add” after each authors name

Page number(s) – (for example: 55-65)

Publisher: (for example: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins)

Publication location: (for example: Philadelphia)

Publication or copyright year: (for example: 2007)

Edition: (for example: 5th)

Volume number(s):

Step 9: Click “check errors” button

Step 10: Correct errors (if any)

Step 11: Click “update citation” button

Step 12: At the next screen, the APA style citation is provided. Our example is as follows:

Emergency interventions. (2007). In *Professional guide to signs and symptoms* (5th ed., pp.55-65). Philadelphia. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.

3) HOW TO CITE AN EBOOK FROM NETLIBRARY (APA)

Step 1: Select “APA Advanced” in response to “choose the list style and version”

Step 2: Provide a brief description of your paper/project (for example: Allied Health Occupations report)

Step 3: Click “Create List” button at bottom of 1st screen

Step 4: At the next screen, select “Book” as your citation source at the pull down menu at the top of the screen

Step 5: At the next screen, leave the default “Book” selection which includes eBook as a type of book

Step 6: Next screen, Select “Online” as the publication medium

Step 7: Next screen, Select “a chapter or part of the book” unless you are citing the entire book. At the same screen in the next section, select “aggregated database” because NetLibrary is subscription based.

Step 8: At the next screen, the following sections would normally be completed but review all to insure you are providing thorough information on your particular source:

Title of book/collection: (for example: “Opportunities in allied health careers”)

Author(s) of chapter/section: provide if separate from book’s author

Publisher: (for example: McGraw-Hill)

Publication place: (for example: New York)

Publication or copyright date: (for example: “2005”)

Type of section: select from pull down menu (for example: “basic section” – for chapters, pages)

Title of section: (for example: Education and training)

Page number(s): 27-33

Edition: (for example: Rev.(for revised))

Volume number(s): (for example - 4)

Date of access: - date eBook was viewed

Name of aggregated database: (for example: NetLibrary)

URL: leave this blank if citing material from a well-known subscription database, otherwise include a unique URL.

Sample APA citation for an eBook from NetLibrary – continued

Step 9: Click “check for errors” button

Step 10: Correct errors – if any

Step 11: Click “ update citation”

Step 12: Next screen provides the APA citation. Our example is below:

Alex, K. (2005). Education and training. In *Opportunities in allied health careers*. (Rev. ed., pp. 27-33). New York: McGraw-Hill. Retrieved may 28, 2007, from NetLibrary database

4) GENERAL WEBSITE (APA)

General Instructions for Web sites:

Title of document – if no title is given within the content of the web page; look at the top of your browser window to see if a name or title is provided

Title of specific article, section or chapter – provide only if you wish to cite just a particular section of a longer document

Author(s) – if no author is present, leave this section blank

Publication or copyright date – if no date given, leave blank. You may need to look at bit to find the publication date.

Date of access – date you viewed the web page

URL – copy and past the URL from web site to this section. If it is a long address, you may just include The URL for the site’s main page(if the material may be easily retrieved from there)

Associated Organization – identify the organization associated with the page, if it is different from the author

How to cite a general website (APA)

Step 1: Select “APA advanced” from the choose the list & style version section

Step 2: Provide a brief description of your project/paper (for example: History report – Barbary Pirates)

Step 3: Click “Create List” button

Step 4: At the next screen, select “website” as the citation type at the drop down menu at the top of the screen

Step 5: At the next screen, leave the default “General website” selection unless the other option is more appropriate for your particular source

Step 6: At the next screen, select ‘web site with URL’ in response to the question “how can your reader find this source”

Step 7: At the next screen, the following sections of basic information would normally be completed for this type of source, however read through all the options carefully to insure you are providing thorough information on your particular source.

Title of Web document or project: (for example: American Memory Project)

Title of specific article, section or chapter: (for example: The Thomas Jefferson Papers: America and the Barbary Pirates)

Author(s): see above general instructions

Publication or copyright date: see above general instructions

Date of access: see above general instructions

URL: - copy and paste from website to NoodleBib

Associated organization(s): (for example: Library of Congress)

Location of content within the larger document: provide paragraphs or sections if provided

Sample APA citation for a general website continued.....

Step 8: Click “check for errors” button

Step 9: Correct errors (if any)

Step 10: Click “update citation”

Step 11: Next screen provides the APA citation. Our example is below:

The Thomas Jefferson Papers: America and the Barbary Pirates. (2007), May 1). *American Memory Project*. (pars. 3-6). Retrieved May 18, 2007, from Lib. of Congress Web site:
http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/jefferson_papers/index.html