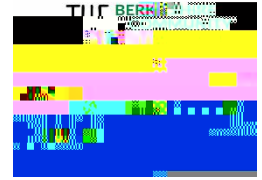


## APA 7<sup>th</sup> Edition In-text Citations

Below are a few examples using APA 7th Edition. **The final authority on essay and citation format is always your professor.**



### General Rules:

Every in-text citation must correspond to an entry in your list of references.

If available, in-text citations must include the author/editor and year of publication.

Direct quotes must also include a page or paragraph number.

**How do I put this together?** There are many ways to include this information in your text.

Examples:

Smith (2010) surveyed this phenomenon.

A famous survey of this phenomena (Smith, 2010) showed that...

In 2010, Smith demonstrated that...

“White rats are the best subjects for this test,” said Smith (2010, pp.50-51).

Smith went on to explain, “Hamsters make better pets than lab rats” (2010, p.51)

Paraphrasing and summarizing only require including the author’s surname and the date of publication.

Direct quotes require surname, date, **and** page/paragraph number.

If you have established citation information in the sentence before a quote, include whatever citation information is missing from that in the parenthetical citation.

Examples:

Jones said “[x]” (1998, p.100).

Named the author before quote, so only the date and page number are required in the parenthetical citation

In a 1998 study, Jones posits that “[x]” (p.100).

Author and date of publication are presented in the sentence before the quote, so only the page number is needed in the parenthetical citation.

“[x]” (Jones, 1998, p.100).

No information presented before quote, so all information is required in the parenthetical citation

**Parentheses** are used to indicate the parts of an in-text citation not included in prose. The parts of the parenthetical citation (author, year, page) are separated with commas. Notice that “**p.**” is used for a citation on **one page** and “**pp.**” is used for a citation that spans **multiple pages**. Lastly, notice that the period goes at the end of the sentence, **outside of the final parentheses**.

### Citing works by two authors:

Cite both authors throughout the work. Citations inside parentheses use the ampersand (&). Citations in text use “and”.

According to the study, 25% of people prefer cats over dogs (Smith & Brown, 2004).

Smith and Brown (2004) surveyed this phenomenon.

### Citing works by three or more authors:

Cite all of them the first time you refer to the work, but in subsequent references follow the surname of the first author by et al. (With a period)

A recent survey (Smith, Brown, & Black, 2005) showed... [first reference]

Smith et al. (2005) showed... [second reference]

