

HOW TO MAKE IN-TEXT CITATIONS

APA (American Psychological Association) style

In-text references (or in-text citations) provide a source (author and year of publication) for each piece of information used in your academic writing. In-text citations are commonly placed either at the beginning or end of a sentence or paragraph to identify where information actually came from and are important in order to avoid plagiarism.

Plagiarism is the use of the published work of another person without acknowledgement and is easily avoidable by using an in-text citation to indicate who the original author/s is/are.

BOOKS

For example, if using words and ideas taken from the book *Environmental Science*, written by **G.T. Miller** in **2006**, you could use **in-text referencing** for a short **paraphrase or a quote** as follows:

EXAMPLES

As **Miller (2006)** suggests, an interdisciplinary study of the environment explores how nature works and how people interact with nature.

“Throughout all editions of this and my other books I have sought to tell a story of how human societies can traverse a path to sustainability” (**Miller, 2006**).

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Students are required to use **in-text references** for information sourced from international journal articles. For example, you could acknowledge a **quotation or paraphrase** in the following way:

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Martin and Ritchie (2018, 2020) identified a “gap in the currently-available English language literature and electronic resources for teaching introductory Thai geography at the undergraduate level.”

Although grey literature can prove useful, it can be difficult to access for undergraduate students (**Martin & Ritchie, 2020**).

ONLINE SOURCES (WEBPAGES)

EXAMPLES

Global Surfers (2020) provides a surfing guide for Thailand which lists ten surfing areas, as well as a forum with some thirty entries.

The style used to site *Wiki* pages (Wikipedia):

The diverse topics in oceanography reflect the “Multiple disciplines that oceanographers blend to further knowledge of the world ocean and understanding of processes within it: biology, chemistry, geology, meteorology, and physics as well as geography” (**Oceanography, 2020**).

Example for a Wikipedia page



MAKING IN-TEXT CITATIONS – WORKSHEET

An **in-text reference** (also called a **citation**) identifies who and where the information or quote came from. When using other peoples' words or writing in your research, providing citations are essential to avoiding plagiarism.

Using references from the previous exercise, choose two relevant sentences from each source. Follow the examples below to make a paraphrase and quotation out of each of the author's sentences.

EXAMPLES of IN-TEXT REFERENCES (CITATIONS) in APA STYLE	
REFERENCE	Miller, G. T. (2006). <i>Environmental science: Working with the earth</i> . Belmont, California: Thompson Learning, Inc.
CITATION (paraphrase)	As Miller (2006) suggests, an interdisciplinary study of the environment explores how nature works and how people interact with nature.
CITATION (quote)	“Throughout all editions of this and my other books I have sought to tell a story of how human societies can traverse a path to sustainability” (Miller, 2006).

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