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APA Writing Style: Webpage

First-person writing (I or we) is never acceptable in APA style. True or False?

Which of the following is true?

- Clarity is the most important element of APA writing style. It is acceptable to repeat and expand on a point to make sure the reader understands.
- Concision is the most important element of APA writing style. It is acceptable to omit vital information to make the paper shorter, even if the reader cannot understand the point.
- Writers have to balance the compelling needs for clarity and conciseness. This means describing the point clearly in as few words as possible.

_________ is encouraged in APA style.

- Active voice
- Full rhymes
- Vogue descriptions

APA Stylistics: Basics

Writing in APA is more than simply learning the formula for citations or following a certain page layout. APA also includes the stylistics of your writing. Point of view and word choice are important.

Cite your source automatically in APA

Website

Search by URL, title, or keyword

Cite

Point of View and Voice

When writing in APA Style, you can use the first person point of view when discussing your research steps (“I studied …”) and when referring to yourself and your co-authors (“We examined the literature …”). Use first person to discuss research steps rather than anthropomorphising the work. For example, a study cannot “control” or “interpret”, you and your co-authors, however can.
Guide to APA In-text Citations


For each outside source used in a text, you need:
1. an in-text citation in the body of your text when you quote, paraphrase, or summarize
2. an entry in the Reference List at the end of your paper
This handout addresses in-text citations.

In-text citations must include the following items:
- author’s last name(s)
- date of publication
- (a) page number(s) for direct quotations and paraphrases

In-text citations can be done in two ways:

1. Use a signal phrase that introduces the author’s name followed by the year of publication in parentheses. Signal phrases should be written in past or present perfect tense. If you are including a direct quote, put the page number in parentheses after the quote.

   Example: Rackers (2003) has found that “most college students feel depressed at some point during their college careers” (p. 11). (This citation shows that the direct quote comes from p. 11 of Rackers’s text, which was published in 2003.)

   Example: Rackers (2003) noted that while college students often battle bouts of depression, few seek professional help (p. 11). (This citation shows that the writer paraphrased ideas from Rackers’s text published in 2003.)

2. If you do not mention the author’s name in a signal phrase, it must be listed inside the parentheses along with the year of publication and page number.

Assume the direct quotation is from page 175.

preschool children reported a 30% increase in happiness “despite a marked resistance to attending therapy sessions” (p. 175).
You have completed the “General Tone and Writing Style” section of this tutorial.

For more details, see Chapter 3 of the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, Sixth Edition*.

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How do I get to GSU Library research databases?

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- GSU Library homepage
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**On this page...**

GALEO databases recommended for your literary research assignment, and tips for how to use them.

**Literature Databases**

These databases are your best bets for literary criticism and author biographies in the order I recommend them for most literature projects. Click on the title to go to the database.

- **For Students (Complete Collection)**
  Not every literary work has a “For Students” article, but if yours is, this is a great place to start. Each work will have an author biography, an overview, characters, themes, historical context, and some critical analysis articles. You can also access For Students through Gale Literary Sources.

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