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In-Text Citations

- Use superscript numerals to number sources according to the order in which they appear. Once a source has received a number, it keeps that number throughout the text.

References Page

- On the References page, center the word “References” at the top of the page. Then list and number sources according to their first appearance within the text, NOT alphabetically.
- For article and chapter titles (works within works), capitalize only the first word of the title, the first word after a colon, and/or any proper nouns. For journal names and book titles (standalone works), capitalize all words longer than three letters and italicize the entire name/title.
- Abbreviate journal names. To find the appropriate abbreviation, search the name of the journal through the online NLM catalog in the NCBI databases.

The rest of this handout provides examples of in-text citations and references and is organized by Journal Articles, Books, and Web/Electronic Sources. It is an abridged sample of the most common source types and concerns.

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<td>A recent study\textsuperscript{1} found that the parietal cortex is important for managing time perception.</td>
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### Books

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**Multiple Editions**

List the edition number after the title (for editions 2+):


**Work in an Anthology**


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[Include the following information in the reference for an electronic source:]  
Author(s), if given. Title of the specific item cited (if none is given, use the name of the organization responsible for the site). Name of the Web site. URL or DOI. Published date, if available. Updated date, if available. Accessed date.

7. International Society for Infectious Diseases. ProMED-mail Web site.  


10. Sample size calculation. Grapentine Co Inc.  

For more information and examples, please refer to the *American Medical Association Manual of Style*.

For information on related concepts, please see the following handouts:

- Principles of Scientific Writing