APA 7th Edition

The most notable changes

APA Publication Manual



6th edition (2009)



7th edition (October 2019)

What's changed?

- Better guidelines for citing online media
- Updated guidelines for inclusive and bias-free language
- Student-specific paper format
- Minor changes in how to cite sources

References and in-text citations

7⁺ notable changes

1. Publisher location not included

X Covey, S. R. (2013). The 7 habits of highly effective people: Powerful lessons in personal

change. New York, NY: Simon & Schuster.

✓ Covey, S. R. (2013). The 7 habits of highly effective people: Powerful lessons in personal

change. Simon & Schuster.

2. In-text citations are shortened

- X (Taylor, Kotler, Johnson, & Parker, 2018)
- ✓ (Taylor et al., 2018)

3. Up to 20 authors in the reference list

X Miller, T. C., Brown, M. J., Wilson, G. L., Evans, B. B., Kelly, R. S., Turner, S. T., ...

Nelson, T. P. (2018).

✓ Miller, T. C., Brown, M. J., Wilson, G. L., Evans, B. B., Kelly, R. S., Turner, S. T., Lewis,

F., Lee, L. H., Cox, G., Harris, H. L., Martin, P., Gonzalez, W. L., Hughes, W., Carter, D.,

Campbell, C., Baker, A. B., Flores, T., Gray, W. E., Green, G., ... Nelson, T. P. (2018).

4. DOIs are formatted as URLs

- X doi: 10.1080/02626667.2018.1560449
- ✓ https://doi.org/10.1080/02626667.2018.1560449

5. Citing web pages

X Walker, A. (2019, November 14). Germany avoids recession but growth remains weak.

Retrieved from https://www.bbc.com/news/business-50419127

✓ Walker, A. (2019, November 14). *Germany avoids recession but growth remains weak*.

BBC News. https://www.bbc.com/news/business-50419127

6. Citing ebooks

X Brück, M. (2009). Women in early British and Irish astronomy: Stars and satellites [Kindle

version]. doi: 10.1007/978-90-481-2473-2

✓ Brück, M. (2009). Women in early British and Irish astronomy: Stars and satellites.

Springer Nature. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-90-481-2473-2

7. Contributors other than authors

Media type	Include as author
Film	Director
TV series	Executive producer(s)
Podcast episode	Host of episode
Webinar	Instructor
Online streaming video	Person or group who uploaded the video
Photograph	Photographer

8.1 Tables and Figures

Sample Results of Several *t* Tests Table Table 2

Results of Curve-Fitting Analysis Examining the Time Course of Fixations to the Target

Logistic parameter	9-yea	-year-olds		ear-olds	<u>t(</u> 40)	р	Cohen's d
	М	SD	М	SD			
Maximum asymptote,	.843	.135	.877	.082	0.951	.347	0.302
proportion							
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Slope, as change in	.001	.0002	.002	.0002	2.635	.012	2.078
proportion per ms							

Note. For each subject, the logistic function was fit to target fixations separately. The maximum

asymptote is the asymptotic degree of looking at the end of the time course of fixations. The crossover point is the point in time the function crosses the midway point between peak and baseline. The slope represents the rate of change in the function measured at the crossover. Mean parameter values for each of the analyses are shown for the 9-year-olds (n = 24) and 16-year-olds (n = 18), as well as the results of t tests (assuming unequal variance) comparing the parameter estimates between the two

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8.2 Tables and Figures

Sample Bar Graph

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Inclusive and bias-free language

Updated guidelines

Use singular "they"

- X A researcher's career depends on how often he is cited.
- \checkmark A researcher's career depends on how often they are cited.

- X Each examiner submitted his or her assessment.
- ✓ Each examiner submitted their assessment.

Be sensitive to labels

- X The poor
- ✓ People living in poverty

- X Transsexuals
- ✓ Transgender people

Appropriate level of specificity

- X Over-65s
- ✓ People aged 65 to 75

- X Asian participants
- ✓ Vietnamese, Cambodian, and Thai participants

Paper format

Student-specific guidelines

More fonts to choose from

- ✓ Times New Roman (12 pt)
- ✓ Arial (11pt)
- ✓ Georgia (11pt)
- ✓ Calibri (11pt)
- ✓ Lucida Sans Unicode (10pt)

No more running head



Updated heading styles

Level	Format
1	Centered, Bold, Title Case
2	Left-aligned, Bold, Title Case
3	Left-aligned, Bold, Italic, Title Case
4	Indented, Bold, Title Case, Period. Text begin on the same line.
5	Indented, Bold, Italic, Title Case, Period. Text begin on the same line.

Recommended resources

Scribbr resources

- Knowledge Base (300+ articles)
- Free APA Citation Generator
- YouTube Channel



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