

# APA Referencing

# Why do we need to reference correctly?

- ‘...the purpose of the reference list is twofold: (a) It allows the author to credit the work of others that directly influenced the present work and document any facts that are not common knowledge; and (b) it gives interested readers the information necessary to identify and retrieve those sources’ (Hume-Pratuch, 2011, para. 4).

What's this?

NSW 2265 Freemans Drive 582 Cooranbong





Avondale College of Higher Education. (n.d.) Bethel Hall [Image]. Retrieved from <http://www.avondale.edu.au/community/avondale-campuses/>

What's this?

2000 Sydney Bennelong Point NSW





Wikipedia. (2017). List of opera houses [Image]. Retrieved from [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_opera\\_houses](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_opera_houses)

**A CITATION is the source's address**

And if an address isn't correct, how can anyone be expected to understand it, or find it?

# The basic elements of all book references

Author	Date	Title	Place of publication	Publisher
Cox, T.	2017.	Referencing is fun.	Cooranbong, Australia:	Avondale Books.

Cox, T. (2017). *Referencing is fun*. Cooranbong, Australia: Avondale Books.



# Cox, T. (2017). *Referencing is fun*. Cooranbong, Australia: Avondale Books.

But sometimes there are two authors...

Cox, T., & Down, M. (2017). *Referencing is fun*. Cooranbong, Australia: Avondale Books.

And sometimes a book is not the first edition...

Cox, T., & Down, M. (2017). *Referencing is fun* (4th ed). Cooranbong, Australia: Avondale Books.

And sometimes there are LOTS of authors...

Cox, T., & Down, M., Starr, A., Frazer, L., Rimmington, J., Galindo, J., ... Hoey, J. (2017). *Referencing is fun* (4th ed). Cooranbong, Australia: Avondale Books.

# AUTHOR

- Last name, first initial
- If the author has a middle initial, include it
- If you are separating two authors use '&'
- If the author is a company (corporate author)
- If there is no author, the title moves into the 'author field'
- Potter, H.
- Potter, H. I.
- Potter, H. I., & Granger, H.
- Department of Education.
- *German Army.*

# PRACTISE TIME

- Which is correct?
  1. Brown, C and D Black.
  2. Brown, C., & Black, D.
  3. C. Brown, & D. Black.
  
- **Brown, C., & Black, D.**



# DATE

- Use brackets around the date.
  - A full stop comes after the bracket.
  - We only use the year, unless we are citing newspaper/magazine articles, conference proceedings, etc.
- (2016)
  - (2016).
  - (2016, March 16).

# TITLE

- In sentence case (only the first word of a title, the first word of a subtitle and any proper nouns to be in capital letters).
- Titles to be in italics
- Subtitles come after a colon
- If a book is not the first edition, you need to state it. NOTE- it is not in italics.
- Referencing is fun.
- *Referencing is fun.*
- *Referencing is fun: Truly.*
- *Referencing is fun: Truly* (4th ed.).

# PLACE OF PUBLICATION

- For items published in USA: city, state code
- For items published everywhere else: city, country
- If you don't know where a place is...Google is your friend!
- Washington, DC.
- Melbourne, Australia.



# PRACTISE TIME

How would I reference an item published in?

- Canberra
- Washington
- Ottawa
- Houston
- Canberra, Australia.
- Washington, DC.
- Ottawa, Canada.
- Houston, TX.

# PUBLISHER

- Do NOT add the words Publishing, Company, Org, Inc. etc. after a publisher's name. The only words you should ever add are either Press or Books.
- A publishing company is a proper noun...use capital letters.
- Cooranbong ~~Publishing Co.~~
- Avondale Books.
- **A**avondale **B**ooks.

# The basic elements of all journal article references

Author	Date	Title of article	Title of journal	Volume	Issue	Pages	URL (online only)
Cox, T.	2017.	Referencing is fun.	Ref Reads	6	12	13-15	<a href="http://www.refreads.com.au">www.refreads.com.au</a>

Cox, T. (2017). Referencing is fun. *Ref Reads*, 6(12), 13-15. Retrieved from [www.refreads.com.au](http://www.refreads.com.au)



# JOURNAL TITLE

- It's a proper noun, so it needs to be capitalised.
- The journal title also needs to be in italics.
- **Ref Reads**
- *Ref Reads*

# VOLUME, ISSUE, PAGE NUMBERS

- Volume is in italics
  - Issue is in brackets
  - Page numbers are listed from the first page to the last
- 6
  - (13)
  - 13-15

# URL

- Needed for electronic journal articles
- Include the words **Retrieved from** before the URL
- If you are given a DOI number, use it instead of a URL.

# The basic elements of all websites

Author	Date	Title	URL
Cox, T.	2016	Yes, I write online articles too.	<a href="http://www.referencingissues.com.au">www.referencingissues.com.au</a>

Cox, T. (2016). Yes, I write online articles too. Retrieved from [www.referencingissues.com.au](http://www.referencingissues.com.au)



# Try your hand at APA referencing with these games!

- [http://www2.eit.ac.nz/library/ls\\_guides\\_apareferencingquiz.html](http://www2.eit.ac.nz/library/ls_guides_apareferencingquiz.html)
- [https://depts.washington.edu/trio/quest/citation/apa\\_mla\\_citation\\_game/](https://depts.washington.edu/trio/quest/citation/apa_mla_citation_game/)
- <http://www.citationgame.org/>