

American Psychological Association (APA) Style

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Citations in the body of the paper -

- When an author's name is cited in-text, put the date of the citation in parentheses.
- When Mead (1934) researched...
- When the author's name is not cited in-text, the author's last name should be included in the parentheses along with the date, separated by a comma.
- Individual life emerged from collective life (Durkheim, 1893)...
- When there are two authors, give both names as well as the date in parentheses. Use an ampersand (&) instead of the word "and" and place a comma before the date.
- Individuals become members of society rather than being born into society (Berger & Luckmann, 1967)...
- When there are three to five authors, use all of their last names in the first citation, and afterwards use the first author's name with *et al.* Use commas to separate the names, use an ampersand (&) instead of "and," and place a comma before the date.
- First citation – (Baudrillard, Lovitt, & Klopsch, 1976)
- Afterwards – (Baudrillard et al., 1976)
- When there are six or more authors, use only the first author's name and *et al.*, placing a comma before the date.
- (Longino et al., 1984)

Reference pages -

- Citing a book -
- Ritzer, G. (1995). *The McDonaldization of society: An investigation into the changing character of contemporary social life*. New York: Pine Forge.
- Citing a scholarly journal article in the References pages -
- Blumer, H. (1971). Social Problems as Collective Behavior. *Social Problems* 18(3), 298-306.