

# Guide to Referencing using APA (7th Edition)

## 1. In-Text Citation Examples

### One Author

(Kumar, 2021)

### Two Authors

(Achieng & Otieno, 2020)

### Three or More Authors

(Mwangi et al., 2022)

## 2. Reference List Examples

### Referencing Books

#### Book with one author

##### Format:

Author, A. A. (Year). *Title of book*. Publisher.

##### Example:

Kumar, Ranjit. (2021). *Research methodology: A step-by-step guide for beginners*. SAGE

#### Book with two Authors Book

##### Format:

Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). *Title of book*. Publisher.

##### Example:

Creswell, John W., & Creswell, J. David. (2018). *Research design: Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods approaches*. SAGE Publications.

#### A Book with More Than Three

##### Authors (Book) Format:

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., Author, C. C., & Author, D. D. (Year). *Title of book*. Publisher.

## Example:

Saunders, Mark N. K., Lewis, Philip, Thornhill, Adrian, & Bristow, Alexandra. (2019). *Research methods for business students*. Pearson Education.

## Refencing Journal Articles

### Journal article with one author

#### Format:

Author, A. A. (Year). Title of article. *Journal Title*, Volume(Issue), pages.

## Example:

Tenopir, Carol. (2020). Academic reading patterns in the digital age. *Journal of Academic Librarianship*, 46(4), 102-110.

### Journal article with two authors

#### Format:

Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). Title of article. *Journal Title*, Volume(Issue), pages.

## Example:

Achieng, Lucy A., & Otieno, Mark O. (2020). Use of electronic resources by university students in Kenya. *African Journal of Library, Archives and Information Science*, 30(2), 85-97.

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### Journal Article with Three Authors

#### Format:

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (Year). Title of article. *Journal Title*, Volume(Issue), pages.

## Example:

Mwangi, Peter N., Wanjiru, Anne K., & Kamau, David M. (2022). Adoption of digital library services in public universities. *Library Management*, 43(6-7), 410-423.

### **3. Quick APA Rule Reminder**

- All authors are listed in the reference list (up to 20 authors in APA 7)
- Use **et al.** in in-text citations for 3 or more authors
- Journal titles and book titles are italicized
  - Use **sentence case** for article and book titles
  - References are listed **alphabetically**