

APA References for Website Articles and Social Media Posts

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A Note about Website Articles and Dates

Always include the date of a website article if you can find one printed on the webpage. If you cannot find a printed date, put (n.d.) in parentheses immediately following author's name (n.d. means "no date"). Further, include the date you accessed the article at the end of the entry right before the URL. Here is an example:

Gulick, A. M. (n.d.). *APA references for website and social media sources*. Parkland College Writing Lab. Retrieved June 14, 2022, from <https://library.parkland.edu/writinglab>

A Note about Authors

Number of Authors	Reference Entry Beginning
No Named Author (Individual or Group)	"Title of Article." (year, month date). >>> Alphabetize by the first major word of the title not counting "A," "An," and "The."
Article with One Author	Author, A. A. (year, month date).
Article with Two Authors	Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (year, month date).
Article with Three to Twenty Authors	Author, A. A., Author, B. B., Author C. C., & Author D. D. (year, month date).
Article with More Than Twenty Authors	Author, A. A., Author, B. B., Author C. C., Author D. D., Author E. E., Author F. F., Author G. G., Author H. H., Author I. I., Author J. J., Author K. K., Author L. L., Author M. M., Author N. N., Author O. O., Author P. P., Author Q. Q., Author R. R., Author S. S., Author T. T., . . . & Author Z. Z. (year, month date). >>> If you have a 21 or more authors, list the first 20 authors in they are listed in the original source. After the 20 th author, type . . . & last author listed. Use the ellipses (. . .) to take place of omitted authors' names. Follow with (year, month date).
Article with Group Author	Name of Group. (year, month date).

Website Articles

Website Article No Named Author

Title of article. (year, month date). Title of Website. Retrieved from URL [no period]

Is cable television being pushed out by Hulu and Netflix? (2004, February 27). Electronic Entertainment Monthly. Retrieved from <http://eem.com/technology2328932/eos> [no period]

Website Article with Group Author (Government Agency, Educational Agency, Business, Association)

Group Name. (year, month date). *Title of article.* Title of Website. Retrieved from URL [no period]

United States Bureau of Labor Statistics. (2004, February 27). *Physicians and surgeons*. Occupational Outlook Handbook. Retrieved from <http://www.bls.gov> [no period]

Website Article with One Author

Author, A. A. (year, month date). *Title of article*. Title of Website. Retrieved from URL [no period]

McKay, D. L. (2004, January 12). *Clothes make the man (or woman)*. Primedia Incorporated. Retrieved from <http://careerplanning.about.com/cs/dressingforwork> [no period]

Website Article with Two Authors

Author, A. A., & Author B. B. (year, month date). *Title of article*. Title of Website. Retrieved from URL [no period]

Uren, N. H., & Phillips, J. S. (2008, January 2). *High cholesterol levels in teens*. NetDoctor Reference Center. Retrieved from <http://www.netdoctor.co.uk/diseases> [no period]

Website Article with Three to Twenty Authors (list all named authors in the order they appear on article)

Author, A. A., Author B. B., Author, C. C., Author D. D., Author E. E., & Author, F. F. (year, month date). *Title of article*. Title of Website. Retrieved from URL [no period]

Bachman, D. L., Wolf, P. A., Linn, R. T., Knoefel, J. E., Cobb, J. L., Belanger, A. J., & Jacobson, R. E. (1993, March 15). *Incidence of dementia and probable Alzheimer's disease in a general population*. Feminist Women's Health Center. Retrieved from <http://www.fwhc.org/alzheimers.htm> [no period]

Twitter, Instagram, and TikTok Posting

Author, A. A. [@username]. (year, month date). *Content of post up to the first 20 words* [description of audiovisuals] [Tweet OR Status update OR Infographic OR Video OR Photograph]. Site Name. URL [no period]

No audiovisual:

Heart, S. L. [@sweetheart77]. (2020, June 18). *Back when I was 16, I was worried about homework, boys, and prom, not about taking a bullet to the* [Tweet]. Twitter. twitter.com/sweetheart/status/23x [no period]

Audiovisual:

Heart, S. L. [@sweetheart77]. (2020, June 18). *Back when I was 16, I was worried about homework, boys, and prom, not about taking a bullet to the* [Image attached] [Tweet]. Twitter. twitter.com/sweetheart/status/23x

Facebook, Tumblr, and Linked In Posting

Author, A. A. (year, month date). *Content of post up to the first 20 words* [description of audiovisuals] [Status update OR Infographic OR Video OR Photograph]. Site Name. URL [no period]

No audiovisual:

Gulick, A. M. (2022, June 6). *Today, I was doing some much-needed journaling and self-reflection, and I came to the conclusion that I can be something* [Status update]. Facebook. <https://www.facebook.com/angela.gulick/posts/10227084758894564> [no period]

Audiovisual:

Gulick, A. M. (2022, June 6). *Today, I was doing some much-needed journaling and self-reflection, and I came to the conclusion that I can be something* [Image attached] [Status update]. Facebook. <https://www.facebook.com/angela.gulick/posts/10227084758894564> [no period]

Online Forum Posting

Author, A. A. (year, month date). *Content of post up to the first 20 words* [Online forum post]. Site Name. URL [no period]

Jerrison, L. K. (2008, May 1). *I wish my mother fed me as much pizza as Lorelei feeds Rory* [Online form post]. Reddit. <https://www.reddit.com/r/GilmoreGirls/> [no period]