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- It does not use superscript number, footnotes, or endnotes.
- Date of publication comes right after the author in ASA bibliographical references.
- ASA references do not include parentheses or page numbers of citations.

### In-text citations

ASA cites a source in the text at the end of a direct quote or paraphrase using parenthetical references.

- General format: (author's last name + year of publication). For example: (Seuss 1990).
- If the author's name appears in the text, just use year of publication. For example: (1990).
- After a direct quote, add the page number of the quote: (author date:page #)  
 "Your mountain is waiting. So...*get on your way!*" (Seuss 1990:44)

### Reference Formats with Examples

List bibliographical references at the end of the text, in a section called "References." List entries alphabetically by the first element in the reference (usually the author's last name—if there is no listed author, alphabetize by title). Double space the list.

- **General Book format:**

Author's last name, first name. Date. *Title*. Place: Publisher.

Kenobi, Obi Wan. 2006. *You've Got the Droids I'm Looking for*. Tatooine: Oxford University Press.

- Use the publisher's full name.
- If there is no publication date, write "N.D."
- If the work is unpublished, write "unpublished manuscript."
- If the work is not yet published, write "forthcoming."
- For more than one source by the same author, use six hyphens and a period (-----) in place of the author's name after the first citation.

- **Academic Journal format:**

Author's last name, first name. Date. "Article Title." *Journal Title* Volume: Page numbers.

Atreides, Paul. 1984. "Spice Trade in a Post Aquatic Era." *Home Hydroponics* 81:212-222.

- Include month of issue number only when many issues in the same year have the same page numbers; often, the second issue will begin where the first ends.
- **Web-based journals** available in PDF format are treated the same as print journals.

## Reference Formats, Cont'd

- **Book Articles:**

Page number after "Article Title"; otherwise, as above.

Lockhart, Gilderoy. 2002. "Whomping the Wimbledon Windego". Pp. 75-523 in *Bantering with Bigfeet*. London: Flourish & Blotts.

- **Newspapers (print and web)**

Clary, Mike. 2000. "Vieques Protesters Removed Without Incident." *Los Angeles Times* May 5.

- **Articles from collected works**

Brewer, John D. 1998. "Sensitivity in Field Research: A Study of Policing in Northern Ireland." Pp. 29-37 in *Seeing Ourselves: Classic, Contemporary, and Cross-Cultural Readings in Sociology*, edited by John J. Macionis and Nijole V. Benokraitis. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall.

## Articles Retrieved in Electronic Format

- **Information Posted on a Website**

American Sociological Association, 2000. "Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Workshop." Washington, DC: American Sociological Association, Retrieved May 5, 2000 (<http://www.asanet.org/memebers/socwkshp.html>).

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