




# **PREPARING REFERENCES IN APA FORMAT**

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- Author's Last name, Initial of the first name. (Published year). Title of the article. *Name of the Journal*, vol.no.(issue no.), pages.DOI:

### Example

- Devi,K.M. (2022). How to use APA style for references. *International Journal for Social Science*, 10(2), 21-30.doi:10.1037/b0017076

# 2 OR 3 OR MORE AUTHORS

## Example:

1) Devi,K.M., Kayalvizhi, A., & Preethi, M. (2022). How to use APA style for references. *International Journal for Social Science*, 10(2), 21-30.doi:10.1037/b0017076

2) Devi,K.M., et al., (2022). How to use APA style for references. *International Journal for Social Science*, 10(2), 21-30.doi:10.1037/b0017076

# ARTICLE FROM WEBSITE

- Author's Last name, Initial of the first name. (Published year). Title of the article. Retrieved from name of the website.

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- Devi, K.M. (2022, July 15). How to use APA style for references. Retrieved from [\*\*http://webaddress\(URL\)\*\*](http://webaddress(URL))

# BOOKS

- Author's Last name, Initial of the first name. (year of publication). *Title of the book* (the edition if any). Place of publication: and publisher.

## Example:

- Devi, K.M. (2022). *Referencing style* (6<sup>th</sup> ed.). New York: Randon House.

# BOOK WITH A CORPORATE AUTHOR

- American Psychiatric Association. (2022).  
*Referencing style* (6<sup>th</sup> ed.). Washington, DC:  
American Psychiatric Association.



# MAGAZINE

- List the author(s). (year, month and date of publication). Title of the article. *Complete name of the Newspaper*, page numbers preceded by “p.” or “pp.”

## EXAMPLE:

Devi, K.M. (2022, August 28). Referencing style. *The Hindu*, p.3.



# WITHOUT AUTHOR NAME

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