**Do I Need to Cite This: APA Style**

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No

Add the full citation, APA Style to your Works Cited page.

\*See our handout on APA Style for help with this step\*

Your in-text citation needs the author, year of publication, and the page number and a period after the parentheses

(Smith, 2010, p. 254).

No

Put the year of publication in parentheses after the author’s name and the page number in parentheses at the end of the sentence. The period goes after the page number parentheses.

According to

Smith (2010) this happened (p.254).

Yes

Did you use the author’s name in this sentence?

Add an in-text citation

Then

Put quotation marks around everything that is directly from your source.

Yes

No citation needed. Keep writing.

You need to rewrite what the author said completely in your own words OR you need to copy what the author said word for word.

To find out how to cite what you have rewritten, go back to the beginning.

No

Did you do more than just change or remove a few words? Did you rewrite the idea completely in your own words?

Yes

Did you take the author’s idea and write it in your own words?

No

Are you using the author’s words exactly as they are written in the text?

Yes

Did you read this idea in a book, an article, or online?

Start Here:

Then

Yes