

In-Text Citation Examples

Parenthetical in-text citation example

A time turner is a magical device that allows wizards to travel back in time (Rowling, 1999).

(Rowling, 1999)

(Rowling, 1999, p. 225)

(Rowling, 1999, pp. 225-230)

Narrative in-text citation example

In the video tutorial, Seburn (2020) demonstrates an example of a reference list entry for a webpage.

Seburn (2020) demonstrates an example of a reference list entry for a webpage (1:35).

Two authors

Parenthetical

(Soto & John, 2017)

Narrative (spell out “and”)

As Soto and John (2017) suggest...

3+ authors

Parenthetical

(Dietz et al., 2007)

Narrative

Dietz et al. (2007) mentioned...

Author is a group author (an organization)

Parenthetical

(World Health Organization [WHO], 2020)

(WHO, 2020)

Narrative

The [World Health Organization](#) (WHO, 2020) described...

Unknown author (shortened title)

Parenthetical

([APA Citation Guideline](#), 2020)

Narrative

As demonstrated by [APA Citation Guideline](#) (2020)...

No Date

Parenthetical

([Streefkerk](#), n.d.)

Narrative

[Streefkerk](#) (n.d.) concluded...

Citing more than one study at a time

Parenthetical

([Dietz et al.](#), 2007; [Seburn](#), 2020; [Soto & John](#), 2017)

Narrative

[Dietz et al.](#) (2007), [Seburn](#) (2020), and [Soto and John](#) (2017) examined...

Different sources having the same in-text citation

Parenthetical

([Yob](#), 1995a) ([Yob](#), 1995b)

Narrative

[Yob](#) (1995a) suggests... [Yob](#) (1995b) examined...

Direct Quote

Parenthetical

Studies on happiness have determined that “good relationships keep us happier and healthier” (Waldinger, 2016, 6:22).

Narrative

In her TED Talk video, Brown (2012) states that “adaptability to change is all about vulnerability” (6:24).

Block Quote

Parenthetical

Researchers have studied how people talk to themselves:

Inner speech is a paradoxical phenomenon. It is an experience that is central to many people’s everyday lives, and yet it presents considerable challenges to any effort to study it scientifically. Nevertheless, a wide range of methodologies and approaches have combined to shed light on the subjective experience of inner speech and its cognitive and neural underpinnings. (Alderson-Day & Fernyhough, 2015, p. 957)

Narrative

Flores et al. (2018) described how they addressed potential researcher bias when working with an intersectional community of transgender people of color:

Everyone on the research team belonged to a stigmatized group but also held privileged identities. Throughout the research process, we attended to the ways in which our privileged and oppressed identities may have influenced the research process, findings, and presentation of results. (p. 311)