

ARTICLES IN DATABASES FROM JOURNALS WITH ISSUE-BY-ISSUE PAGINATION -- CITATION RULES --

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Article citations contain different elements depending on the type of periodical (journal, magazine, newspaper, online, etc.). **The following rules and examples apply to articles found in library databases that were published in journals that paginate each issue separately (each issue starts with page one).**

Citations for articles from journals that you get from library/subscription databases can include the following elements. The citation includes publication information plus a retrieval statement. See the APA handbook for more details.

- **Use double spacing with hanging indent.**
- **Author's name** (last name, initials) -- If there's more than one author, follow the name with a comma and ampersand (, &).
 - ~ Additional authors are listed in the same manner (last name, initials).
 - ~ **For more than six authors, list the first six and abbreviate the others as et al.**
 - ~ Do not put a period after author entries when initials are used. Put a period after group or corporate authors.
 - ~ If no author is given, start the entry with the item's title -- followed by a period.
- **Year of publication** -- in parentheses, followed by a period.
 - ~ If no date is available, use n.d. in parentheses.
 - ~ Write in press in parentheses for articles that have been accepted, but are not yet published.
Do not use a date until the article has been published.
- **Title of the article** -- followed by a period if additional identifying information is not given.
 - ~ Capitalize the first word of a title, the first word of a subtitle, and all proper nouns.
 - ~ Do not italicize or put quotation marks around the title.
- **Additional information** that helps identify and retrieve the article (i.e. abstract, monograph, special issue, and letter to the editor) -- in brackets, followed by a period.
 - ~ Capitalize only the first word of the identifying information. For example, [Letter to the editor]
- **Title of the journal** (italicized) -- followed by a comma.
 - ~ Use the journal's full title.
 - ~ Use upper and lower case for the title (capitalize first, last, and all major words).
- **Volume number** (italicized).
 - ~ Do not use Vol. before the number.
 - ~ If no volume number is given, include the month or season with the year entry. For example (2001, Summer).
- **Issue number** -- in parentheses -- followed by a comma.
 - ~ Do not italicize.
 - ~ Put immediately after the volume number (do not leave a space between them).
- **Inclusive page numbers for the article** -- followed by a period.
- **Retrieval statement** -- followed by a period.
 - ~ Content = Retrieved Date, from Database Name database. (Ex. Retrieved December 7, 2008, from JSTOR database.)
 - ~ An item or accession number can also be listed, but is not required. If desired, put it in parentheses at the end.

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Example Citations and Reference List

Lehr, D., Katzman, L., Clinton, L., & Sullivan, E. (2006). Character education and students with disabilities. *Journal of Education*, 187(3), 71-83. Retrieved March 15, 2008 from Academic Search Complete database.

Lorence, J. (2008). Texas TAAS scores revisited. *Educational Research Quarterly*, 31(4), 3-32.
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