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Author's name. (Date). Title of Article [Electronic version]. *Title of Publication*, volume, pages.

**Example:**

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### Full text journal article retrieved from database

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Author's name(s). (Date). Title of article. Title of Publication, volume, pages. Retrieval date, from Name of database.

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Borman, W. C., Hanson, M. A., & Oppler, S.H. (1993). Role of early supervisory experience in supervisor performance. *Journal of Applied Psychology*, 78, 443-449. Retrieved October 23, 2000, from PsycArticles database.

### Article in an Internet-only journal

**Format:**

Author's name. (Date). Name of article. *Name of Publication*, volume, . Retrieval date, from URL

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Fredrickson, B. L. (2000, March 7). Cultivating positive emotions to optimize health and well-being. *Prevention & Treatment*, 3, Article 0001a. Retrieved November 20, 2000, from <http://journals.apa.org/prevention/volume3/pre0030001a.html>

### Daily newspaper article:

**Format:**

Author's name. (Date). Article title. *Name of Newspaper*. Retrieval date, from URL

**Example:**

Hilts, P.J. (1999, February 16). In forecasting their emotions, most people flunk out. *New York Times*. Retrieved November 21, 2000, from <http://www.nytimes.com>

## Multi-page document created by private organization

### Format:

Name of organization. (Date). *Name of document*. Retrieval date, from URL

### Example:

Greater New Milford Area Healthy Community 2000, Task Force on Teen and Adolescent Issues. (n.d.).  
*Who has time for a family meal? You do!* Retrieved October 5, 2000, from  
<http://www.familymealtime.org>

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## U.S. government report on government agency website:

### Format:

Agency name. (Date). *Title of report*. Retrieval date, from URL

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United States Sentencing Commission. (n.d.). *1997 sourcebook of federal sentencing statistics*.  
Retrieved December 8, 1999, from <http://www.ussc.gov/annrpt/1997/sbtoc97.htm>

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## Chapter or section in an Internet document:

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Author. (Date). Title of chapter or section. In *Title of document* (chapter number, if applicable). Retrieval date,  
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### Example:

Benton Foundation. (1998, July 7). Barriers to closing the gap. In *Losing ground bit by bit: Low-income communities in the information age* (chap. 2). Retrieved August 18, 2001, from  
<http://www.benton.org/Library/Low-Income/two.html>

## Message posted to an online forum or discussion group:

### Format:

Writer's Name. (Date). Title of message (from subject line) [Message number]. Message posted to URL

### Example:

Simons, D. J. (2000, July 14). New resources for visual cognition [Msg 31]. Message posted to  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/visualcognition/message/31>

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### Format:

Writer's name. (Date of post). Title of message (from subject line). Message posted to Name of Mailing list,  
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### Example:

Hammond, T. (2000, November 20). YAHC: Handle Parameters, DOI Genres, etc. Message posted to Ref-Links  
electronic mailing list, archived at <http://www.doi.org/mail-archive/ref-link/msg00088.html>

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