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Examples

Magazine article (Print source)

Stix, G. (2009, October). Turbocharging the brain. *Scientific American*, 301(4), 46-55.

Magazine article (Online)

DeAngelis, T. (2009, November). Understanding terrorism. *Monitor on Psychology*, 40(10). Retrieved from <http://www.apa.org/monitor>

Newspaper article (Print source)

Angier, N. (2009, October 27). A molecule of motivation, dopamine excels at its task. *New York Times*, pp. D1, D3.

Newspaper article (editorial), retrieved online, no author given

Toward saner, more effective prison sentences [Editorial]. (2015, October 3). *New York Times*. Retrieved from <http://www.nytimes.com>

Book

De Vaus, D. A. (2014). Surveys in social research. Sydney, Australia: Allen & Unwin

Book, two authors

Ricciardelli, L. A., & Yager, Z. (2016). Adolescence and body image: From development to preventing dissatisfaction. New York, NY: Routledge.

Book, corporate author, author as publisher

American Psychiatric Association. (2013). Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders (5th ed.). Washington, DC: Author.

Book chapter

McKenzie, H., Boughton, M., Hayes, L., & Forsyth, S. (2008). Explaining the complexities and value of nursing practice and knowledge. In I. Morley & M. Crouch (Eds.), Knowledge as value: Illumination through critical prisms (pp. 209-224). Amsterdam, Netherlands: Rodopi

Chapter in an edited book

Ash, P. (2016). School shootings and mental illness. In L. H. Gold & R. I. Simon (Eds.), Gun violence and mental illness (pp. 105-26). Arlington, VA: American Psychiatric Association.

EBook

Purnell, L. D. (2014). Guide to culturally competent health care (3rd ed.). Retrieved from www.ebscohost.com/ebooks

Video

Stacey, R. (Producer), & Huffman, B. (Director). (2005). Welcome to Warren: Inmates and guards on life in prison [DVD]. Princeton, NJ: Films for the Humanities and Sciences.

Webpage with an author

Healthtimes. (2015). The future of aged care nursing in Australia. Retrieved from <https://healthtimes.com.au/hub/aged-care/nc1/the-future-of-aged-care-nursing-in-australia/495/>