What is a Reference List in APA?

Your Reference List should be located on a separate page at the end of your assignment and titled: References. It should include the full details of all your in-text references (excluding personal communications), arranged interchangeably A-Z by author surname. The terms ‘Bibliography’ and ‘Reference List’ are often used interchangeably, however a reference list only includes items you have referenced in your assignment, whereas a bibliography also includes items used to prepare your assignment (check with your lecturer or tutor which they require).

Other points to note:

- List works with no author under the first significant word of the title.
- Indent second and subsequent lines of each entry (5-7 spaces).
- Use double spacing.
- Use the centred heading ‘References’.

APA sample Reference List

References


