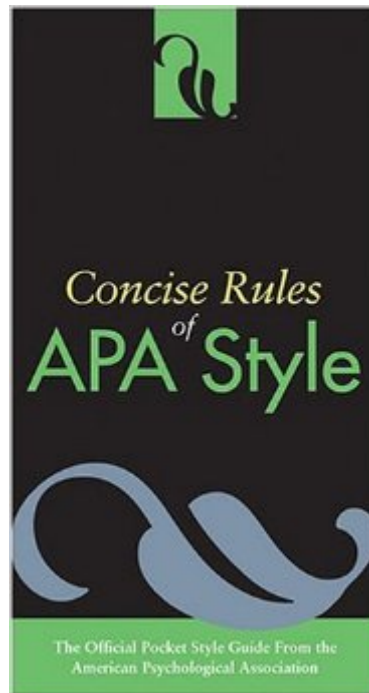


The book was found

# Concise Rules Of APA Style (Concise Rules Of The American Psychological Association (APA) Style)



## **Synopsis**

The Concise Rules of APA Style offers essential writing and formatting standards for students, teachers, researchers, and clinicians in the social and behavioral sciences. This easy-to-use pocket guide, compiled from the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, provides complete guidance on the rules of style that are critical for clear communication. Readers will learn how to avoid the grammatical errors most commonly reported by journal editors; how to choose the appropriate format for statistics, figures, and tables; how to credit sources and avoid charges of plagiarism; and how to construct a reference list through a wide variety of examples and sources. How does the Concise Rules differ from the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association? The Publication Manual remains the best source for broad background information about scientific publishing. It provides guidance on designing research, identifying the parts of a scholarly article, understanding the process of journal publication, and submitting articles for publication. The Concise Rules, by comparison, targets only those rules writers need for choosing the best words and format for their articles. It offers a comprehensive list of essential writing standards in a convenient, easily retrievable format. In addition to guidance on grammar points that have challenged writers in the social sciences, the Concise Rules provides suggestions for reducing bias in language; reviews the mechanics of style for punctuation, spelling, capitalization, abbreviation, italicization, headings, and quotations; examines the preferred use of numbers as well as standards for metrication and statistics; provides guidance for the construction and formatting of tables, figures, and appendixes; and offers clear examples and models for referencing ideas and constructing error-free reference lists. Available in a light-weight, spiral-bound format, the Concise Rules will travel easily from home to school to office. It will be an invaluable reference tool for all social science scholars who are serious about communicating clearly and effectively.

## **Book Information**

Series: Concise Rules of the American Psychological Association (APA) Style

Spiral-bound: 212 pages

Publisher: American Psychological Association (APA); Spi edition (January 2005)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1591472520

ISBN-13: 978-1591472520

Product Dimensions: 8.3 x 4.9 x 0.6 inches

Shipping Weight: 8.8 ounces

Average Customer Review: 3.7 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (35 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #875,984 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #129 in [Books > Reference > Writing, Research & Publishing Guides > Writing > Academic & Commercial](#) #315 in [Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Social Sciences > Reference](#) #430 in [Books > Health, Fitness & Dieting > Psychology & Counseling > Reference](#)

## Customer Reviews

There's no rules for title pages, no examples of manuscript pages, no rules for pagination. It doesn't even tell you if the reference list belongs on a separate page or what its heading looks like. I consider these glaring omissions, particularly if you are expected to use pure APA and have no departmental style guide (like me). This book is basically a glorified guide to citation and syntactic rules. Avoid it and pay the extra five bucks for the complete book. Getting the cheap book as some kind of protest won't significantly hurt the APA and it will just make things harder for you.

While this is a great condensation of the main rules needed to write in APA style, this book lacks one major thing -- the practical examples of how to apply APA style in a document or manuscript. The book would be greatly enhanced if in future editions the editors added the examples that are found in the full APA guidelines handbook.

Hopefully this statement will help those of you who are trying to decide what to buy: If you do not own a full copy of the APA Publication Manual, then do not buy this book. This book is meant to be a pocket-sized reference guide that you can carry with you. It is meant as a supplement, but it is not the primary resource -- the APA Publication Manual is the primary resource. Now that I have gotten that out of the way, here is my review: This book may have omitted a few things that I would have preferred they left in (you won't know what you need until you need it). But by and large they did a good job of condensing a large book into a pocket guide.

I thought this would be a more helpful book than the APA Publication Manual, but I was wrong. This small volume does not cover enough items that I need to write a graduate level paper. I suggest purchasing only the Publication Manual.

This is probably a useful book for someone who is familiar with APA style. For someone like myself who had no knowledge of the style rules it was of little use. I'd suggest buying the full version of

APA style rules if you're just learning the format.

There is not much rating that can be done with a reference book such as this. It gives the APA Rules in concise fashion just like it promises. The Reference citing examples are very thorough. It gives the rules on headings as well as how things like numbers, abbreviations, quotes, and other rules of citing in text should be done. It is small and handy enough to keep near the computer. I love it and don't see any reason why anyone needs the big manual if they have this. It lists all the rules only, so if you are looking for a sample of a whole paper, you will not find it here.

Some peopel may find this book useful. I am just begining to learn the APA format and I did not find this book to be user friendly. I have had better information given to me from handouts from other books.

The first question you'd have to ask about this book is Why would the American Psychological Association have a style guide. The answer is that the APA Style is the definitive guide to the style that the APA wants to see in their publications and this style is also used by a number of other publications that have adopted the APA Style. Among the critical points of the APA Style is how to construct an error-free reference list crediting all sources properly and avoiding all charges of plagiarism. This has become extremely critical in today's world where any research seems subject to actively looking for any way they can discredit someone else rather than do their own work. In addition the style book is an authoritative guide to how best to present the ideas and data that is so hard to gather. Being able to present data in a way that is understandable to the reader is perhaps the most difficult yet the most important part of writing a paper. This book is the concise version. It is a small format book designed to be convenient, portable and yet complete.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Concise Rules of APA Style (Concise Rules of the American Psychological Association (APA) Style) Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (Spiral) 6th (sixth) edition Style: The Lady's Guide to French Style, Fashion and Beauty- Get Dressed to Look Charm and Elegant (French Chic, Sense of Style, Style, Style Books, Style ... Dressed, Look Hot, Look Fabulous Book 1) The APA Pocket Handbook: Rules for Format & Documentation [Conforms to 6th Edition APA] APA: The Easy Way! (Updated for APA 6th edition) APA Made Easy: Revised and Updated for the APA 6th Edition The American Heart Association Low-Salt Cookbook: A Complete Guide to Reducing Sodium and Fat in Your Diet (AHA,

American Heart Association Low-Salt Cookbook) American Diabetes Association Complete Guide to Diabetes: The Ultimate Home Reference from the Diabetes Experts (American Diabetes Association Complete Guide to Diabetes) American Heart Association Low-Salt Cookbook, 4th Edition: A Complete Guide to Reducing Sodium and Fat in Your Diet (AHA, American Heart Association Low-Salt Cookbook) American Heart Association Low-Salt Cookbook, 3rd Edition: A Complete Guide to Reducing Sodium and Fat in Your Diet (AHA, American Heart Association Low-Salt Cookbook) American Medical Association Complete Medical Encyclopedia (American Medical Association (Ama) Complete Medical Encyclopedia) Concise Guide to Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (CONCISE GUIDES) (Concise Guides (American Psychiatric Press)) Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, Sixth Edition Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (2007 5th Edition) American Bar Association Family Legal Guide (third edition): Everything your family needs to know about the law and real estate, consumer protection, ... Association Complete Personal Legal Guide) Pocket Guide to APA Style Mastering APA Style: Instructor's Resource Guide A Pocket Style Manual, APA Version Unmasking Psychological Symptoms: How Therapists Can Learn to Recognize the Psychological Presentation of Medical Disorders Distinguishing Psychological From Organic Disorders, 2nd Edition: Screening for Psychological Masquerade

[Dmca](#)