

APA CHECKLIST

GENERAL FORMATTING	
TYPEFACE	Times New Roman and 12-point font
LINE SPACING	Double-space all text throughout on ALL pages
MARGINS	Uniform margins of at least 1" (top, bottom, left, right)
ALIGNMENT	Flush left and no hyphens at the end of a line
RUNNING HEAD	Short form of the title, flush left, in all uppercase letters on ALL pages, including the title page; on page 1 (the title page), the words "Running head:" precede the title
PAGE NUMBERS	Consecutive numbering; top right corner; on ALL pages, starting with the title page
ORDER OF PAGES	Title page, abstract, text, references, footnotes (if not added in the text), tables, figures, appendices; each section starts on a new page
TITLE PAGE	
ELEMENTS	Running head, page number, title, author, institution, additional information (student number, course number, instructor name, due date)
TITLE	No more than 12 words; upper and lowercase letters, centered in upper half of page
AUTHOR	Underneath title, centered, sequence: first name, middle initial, last name
INSTITUTION	Underneath your name, centered
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	Each item on its own line centered in lower half of page OR all in one line flush left at the bottom

SAMPLE TITLE PAGE	
Running head: IMPACT OF MULTICULTURALISM POLICIES	1
<p>The Impact of Multiculturalism Policies on Immigrant Integration</p> <p>Nora A. Discipula</p> <p>Kwantlen Polytechnic University</p> <p>Student ID: xxxxxxxxx</p> <p>POLI 2400</p> <p>Dr. Max Magister</p> <p>March 30, 2014</p>	

MAIN TEXT	
PARAGRAPHS	Indent the first line of every paragraph; the only exceptions are: abstract, block quotes (quotes that are longer than 40 words), table notes, and figure captions
QUOTES	<p><i>Less than 40 words:</i> Enclose in "quotation marks"</p> <p><i>More than 40 words:</i> Do not enclose in quotation marks; put in a block quote, indent the entire block by half an inch</p>
CITING QUOTES Follow the author/date/ page format	<p>Author named in parenthesis Darwinian evolution "follows a rhythm dictated by the rapidity of generational turnover" (Smail, 2008, p. 99).</p> <p>Author named in the narrative According to Smail (2008), Darwinian evolution "follows a rhythm dictated by the rapidity of generational turnover" (p. 99).</p> <p>Author and date named in the narrative In 2008, Smail stated that Darwinian evolution "follows a rhythm dictated by the rapidity of generational turnover" (p. 99).</p> <p>Quote longer than 40 words (block quote) Smail (2008) concluded the following: Culture is made possible by the plasticity of human neurophysiology. With this insight, we can finally dispense with the idea, once favored by some historians, that biology gave way to culture with the advent of civilization. This has it all backward. Civilization did not bring an end to biology. (pp. 154-155)</p>

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CITING QUOTES If there is no page number, use another locator	Cite to a chapter, section, heading, and/or paragraph "... (Brown, 2012, Chapter 6, para. 3). "... (Black, 2013, Discussion section, para. 2). "... (White, 2010, "Nature's Reasons," para. 1). (If you shorten the heading, put it in quotation marks)
MAKING CHANGES TO QUOTES	Generally, follow the source precisely, even if the source contains errors. However, you may: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> change the first letter to upper- or lowercase and the punctuation mark at the end to fit the syntax omit a portion of a quote by inserting three dots ... insert a word or words for clarification by putting the added word(s) into square brackets add emphasis by italicizing the word(s) you want to stress and putting [emphasis added] after them add the word [sic] after a spelling, punctuation or grammar error in your source that might confuse the reader
EXAMPLE	<p>Original source The "placebo effect," which had been verified in previous studies, disappeared when behaviors were studied in this manner. Furthermore, the behaviors were never exhibited again, even when reel drugs were administered.</p> <p>Quote showing allowable changes Miele (1993) found that "the 'placebo effect,' ... disappeared when [the first group's] behaviors were studied in this manner. Furthermore, the behaviors were <i>never exhibited again [emphasis added]</i>, even when reel [sic] drugs were administered" (p. 276).</p>

MAIN TEXT	
USING HEADINGS	Are mainly used for scientific papers or meta-analyses; rarely, more than three levels are used
FORMATTING OF HEADINGS	<p>Level One</p> <p>Heading is centered, boldface, in uppercase and lowercase. The paragraph starts below, first line indented</p> <p>Level Two</p> <p>Heading is flush left, boldface, in uppercase and lowercase. The paragraph starts below, first line indented</p> <p>Level three. Heading is indented, boldface, in lowercase, followed by a period. The paragraph starts on the same line right after the period.</p> <p>Level four. Heading is indented, boldface, italicized, in lowercase, followed by a period. The paragraph starts on the same line right after the period.</p> <p>Level five. Heading is indented, italicized, in lowercase, followed by a period. The paragraph starts on the same line right after the period.</p>

EXAMPLE SHOWING HEADINGS
<p>Photographs can Distort Memory for the News</p> <p>In this experiment, we ask whether photographs can lead to false memories for elements of a newspaper story. Participants played the role of a newspaper editor, identifying minor typographical errors in three newspaper articles and ...</p> <p>Literature Overview</p> <p>Much of what we know about the relationship between photographs and a narrative comes from the educational psychology and communication literatures. In educational psychology, the pertinent research examines...</p> <p>Method</p> <p>Participants</p> <p>Sixty-one participants participated as part of a research requirement for an introductory psychology course at Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand; all provided consent for their participation. Of those, 55 participants completed both sessions in the study. Participants were tested in groups of five to six people.</p> <p>Procedure</p> <p>Session 1. In the first session, participants were told that the goal of the study was to improve the ways people understand what they read in the newspaper. The experimenter then ...</p> <p>Session 2. When participants returned for the second session, the experimenter announced a surprise memory test. At the top of the test, students were asked to ...</p> <p>Self-report measures. We first administered self-report measures, as follows.</p> <p>Cognitive failure. Participants took a modified Cognitive Failures Questionnaire (CFQ) based on Broadbent et al. (1982).</p> <p>Other measures. We also ...</p> <p>Adapted from: Garry, M., Strange, D., Bernstein, D. M., & Kinzett, T. (2007). Photographs can distort memory for the news. <i>Applied Cognitive Psychology</i>, 21, 995-1004. doi: 10.1002/acp.1362</p>

REFERENCE LIST	
ELEMENTS	Begins on a new page; Running head, page number like on the other pages; the word References centered at the top of the page
LINE SPACING	Double-space like all other pages
ALIGNMENT	The first line of a citation is flush left, subsequent lines are indented five spaces ("hanging indent")
ORDER	List sources alphabetically by the last name of the author, group name or, if there is no author, by the first significant word of the title (ignore a, an, the)
<i>Works by the same author(s):</i> list by year	American Psychological Association. (2013). Brown, T.-J. (2005). Brown, T.-J. (2012).
<i>Different authors with the same name and initials:</i> include the full first name in brackets	Browning, A. (1998). Denver, J. [James]. (1985). Denver, J. [John]. (1985). Kwantlen Polytechnic University. (2014). Lopez, M. E. (1995). Lopez de Molina, G. (1999). Lutz, P. (2013). Lutz, P., & Cook, B. (2008). Lutz, P., Cook, B., & Arend, D. (2008).
One-author entries precede multiple-author entries	MacDonald, J. (2001). McDonald, B. (2000).
<i>Same author/same year:</i> place a, b, c... after the year and order by title	Potter, H. (2005a). Deconstructing ... Potter, H. (2005b). Linguistic ... Singh, Y. (1997). Singh Siddhu, N. (1993). Villafuerte, S. A. (2002). Villa-Lobos, J. (1998).
<i>No author:</i> start with title;	Webster's third new international dictionary. (2011). Zoomsafer app stops texting. (2010, October 1).

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AUTHORS /EDITORS	Last name, comma, then initials followed by a period 2-7 authors: put a & before the last author (see examples on the <i>Reference List Sample Page</i> on p. 6); More than 7 authors: list six authors, then three dots ... then last author (no & is used)
DATE	In (parentheses). Magazine articles include the month or season, newspaper articles the exact date
TITLES	Titles of standalone works are <i>italicized</i> (books, reports, journals, etc.); titles that are part of a work are NOT italicized (book chapters, article titles, etc.) Capitalize only the first word of a title, a subtitle and proper nouns; exception: for journal titles all important words are capitalized
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Print newspaper article; no author, full date, p. before page number →

Online newspaper article; full date, no page number available →

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