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Title

The format of the title of the paper should follow the format used for this instruction template. Capitalize the initial letter of each word, except for articles, prepositions, and conjunctions. Center the title and use bold-faced 14-point Times New Roman.

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Use left-justification (“ragged right”) for the main body of the text and begin after skipping two lines after the last line of abstract. The text of the paper should be written in Times New Roman 12-point font. Each section of the text should be prefaced by an appropriate heading: Level 1, at the start of a major new section, Level 2, at the start of a main subsection, and Level 3 for a sub-subsection. Do not add numbers to any of the headings. All headings should be bold-faced do not use italics. Please make sure you follow the formatting directions for the headings very

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Center all Level 1 headings using normal typeface for the font. Left-justify all Level 2 headings and make the font both ***bold and italic*** (this is different from the APA style guide but it makes it easier to format the papers when we put them into layout). Level 3 headings should be indented (hit the "tab" key once only) from the left margin, and should be in 12 point bold font. For both Level 1 and Level 2 headings, capitalize the initial letter of each word, except articles, prepositions, and conjunctions. Capitalize only the first letter of the Level 3 heading; do not capitalize any other words. End the Level 3 heading with a period. Immediately begin the text of the paragraph on the same line after the Level 3 heading. For more information about formatting headings please read below or consult page 62 of the APA 6th edition manual.

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Level 1 headings include Methods, Results, and Discussion. You may include "Conclusion" as part of the Discussion section or as a separate section. Do not include an "Introduction" heading at the beginning of the paper. Do not use the heading "Literature Review." In the place of "Methods," the term "Analysis" is acceptable. Description of participants, measurement instruments, interview questions, and survey methods should all be listed under the "Methods" section. Research questions should be listed near the end of the "Introduction" section. The results and discussion should be written in the same order as the research questions. Other sub-themes or sub-topics may comprise the Level 2 headings (e.g., "The Japanese Context," "Teacher Training Programs in Japan," "Recent Developments in Corpus Linguistics"). **If your use Level 2 headings, there should be at least two of them under a Level 1 heading.**

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- (1) If a sentence begins with a number, the number is written in words. You should try to reword sentences to avoid beginning a sentence with a large number. For example, instead of “Four hundred thirty seven students were participants in the study” rewrite to “Participants in the study were 437 students.”
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- (3) Numbers that represent time, dates, and ages are all written in numerals. For example, an 8-year-old boy, in 3 days, 2 hr 6 min 3 s, 1st-year students.
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A quotation of not more than about 40 words should be in continuous text, identified by “Double quotation marks; we never use ‘single quotation marks’ unless they are necessary to distinguish text that is already inside double quotation marks.”

A quotation of more than about 40 words should be inset, as a block quotation; quotation marks are then not used.

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Reference Citations (In Text)

When you cite a previously published author, do so in the main body of your text.

For example, you could write that, according to Jefferson and Adams (2008), students tend to learn better if they listen during lessons. In this case, when the names cited are not enclosed in brackets, use “and”; do not use “&”.

However, you could also mention that students are more inclined to listen if the lesson is interesting (Jefferson & Adams, 2008). In this case, when the names are enclosed in brackets, use “&”; do not use “and.”

When the quote is indirect, as above, you should not include the page number.

When you use a direct quote, the page number must appear in the citation. For example, “Children don’t listen at all if they are hungry” (Jefferson & Adams, 2008, p. 123). Alternatively, as Jefferson and Adams (2008) pointed out, “children don’t listen at all if they are hungry” (p. 123).

Always place the punctuation of the sentence following the final parenthesis of the citation.

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Tables should be numbered serially throughout the paper with Arabic numerals, and each should be placed in the text where reference is made to it. When tables are referred to in the text, refer to tables as (Table 1). Do not use words such as (See Table 1 below), since during the graphical layout process figures may appear elsewhere in the paper for reasons of space. Table headings should always appear above the table; all table headings should be italicized and each content word should be capitalized. All tables, table headings, and table footnotes should be left-justified. Do not use vertical lines in your table. Use only three horizontal lines; one on the top and bottom of the stubheads and one at the bottom of the table. Do not use multiple horizontal lines to separate elements of the table. Use Arial or Helvetica 10-point font for words, numbers, and all other characters. Tables should also have a title that is written in title case, with the first letter of the content words of the table title capitalized (see Table 1).

Table 1

Give all Tables a Short Title Descriptive of the Table Contents

	<i>df</i>	<i>t</i>
Test group	50	4.260*
Control group	49	0.654

Notes. *df* = degrees of freedom; *t* = *t*-test value.

* = $p < .001$

Statistical tables. When listing *N*-sizes, *p*-values, or other information, please use either superscript lowercase letters or a single asterisk in the table, followed by a list of the values beneath the table. Do not list more than one *p*-value (i.e., three “floating” *p*-values such as **p* <.05, ***p* <.01, ****p* <.001); choose one *p*-value and report it. Commonly used statistical abbreviations such as means

(*M*) and standard deviation (*SD*) do not need to be explained; however, for less well-known abbreviations, include a note at the bottom of the table. All notes should be listed in 10-point size, with a semicolon between each note (Table 1). For more information on statistical abbreviations, refer to the APA 6th Edition, pages 119 through 123.

Word tables. When using word tables, it is pertinent to consider the following question: “Is this table necessary?” In most cases, tables are an inefficient method of displaying text. If the information can best be explained in prose form, then a table is likely not needed. Word tables follow the same format as statistical tables; i.e., there should be a descriptive table heading, only three horizontal lines, and no vertical lines. Refer to APA 6th Edition, page 149, for sample word tables. Please also note that MS Word tends to place tables beyond the actual left and right margins of the document. Tables that extend beyond the margins cause difficulty during the final graphic layout stage. Take care that tables do not exceed document margins in order to ensure speedy layout and reduce editing, proofreading, and printing time.

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Figures should be included in the text and submitted as separate attached files to the email. The attached image files are what will be used for the final layout so make sure they are of good quality. Label all figure files appropriately (e.g., YourName-Figure1.JPG) and insert a citation where appropriate. When figures are referred to in the text, use words such as (Figure 1). Do not use words such as (See Figure 1 below) or (See page 4), since during the graphical layout process figures may appear elsewhere in the paper for reasons of space. A one-sentence description should appear directly beneath the figure, left-justified, and should adequately explain the contents of the figure. Italicize the words “Figure 1,” and capitalize only the first word of the figure description. Use 12-point Times New Roman font for figure descriptions.

Acknowledgments

Acknowledgments, if any, should be placed at the end of the text before the “Notes” and “References.” These should be in italics. Do not acknowledge the editors.

Notes

If you have supplementary information to convey, you can do so in an endnote. Each endnote should contain just one idea. Number the notes consecutively, using superscript numbers. DO NOT USE FOOTNOTES.

Enter the endnotes as regular text in the appropriate location (immediately following the “Acknowledgements”, or the article if you have no acknowledgements, and before the “References”.) Do not format by using the “Notes” function in your word processing program. All the notes in the article should be numbered consecutively throughout the document using Arabic numerals.

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References cited in the text should follow the APA guidelines. References should be listed at the end of the main body of the text in alphabetical order by author last name. DO NOT format the spacing of this page using the space or tab character, doing this will make it very difficult when putting the article into layout. For your submission the references should be left justified and there should NOT be a hanging indent, we will add this during the layout stage. DO NOT use the “return” key in the middle of a reference, this will cause it to be counted as two references when putting the article into layout (even if this causes the URL to be moved down onto the next line, these types of problems can be taken care of during the layout process). Also, do not add extra line returns between the entries in the reference section. In your references you need to include both the city and country or the city and state. For example, ‘New York, NY.’ or ‘London, England’ not ‘New York.’ or ‘London.’.

For more information, please refer to the following sources of APA reference guidelines:

APA Manual 6th Edition

Homepage for APA manual

(includes blog, changes from 5th edition, FAQs, tutorials, and titles of supplemental resources)

<http://www.apastyle.org>

APA Formatting and Style Guide (The Writing Center at Purdue University, Indiana, U.S.)

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01>

Related books on APA style

APA: The Easy Way (Peggy M. Houghton, Timothy J. Houghton)

APA Pocket Handbook (Jill Rossiter)

Sample References

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