Pre Writing:

Think about the topic that you plan to write about. Ultimately, you are creating a piece that will inform others about a topic, and often, you are answering a question with your paper.

Research Topic/Question: _______________________________________________________________

What individual words can you think of that would represent the essence of your topic? Write them in the circles below:

Concept 1: ___________________________________________
Concept 2: ___________________________________________

What if the exact words you chose above aren’t in the database? Let’s think of other words to substitute for your original words:

Concept 1: ___________________________________________
Concept 2: ___________________________________________

Related word: ___________________________________________
Related word: ___________________________________________

Related word: ___________________________________________
Related word: ___________________________________________

Related word: ___________________________________________
Related word: ___________________________________________

Related word: ___________________________________________
Related word: ___________________________________________

Search Strategy:

Recall the presentation information on broad and narrow kinds of resources. Checkmark the kinds of resources you plan to research for your topic:

_____ eReference Books _____ eBooks _____ Journal articles _____ Credible websites**

**Omit these sources if your professor tells you not to use websites or sources from the internet.

*Remember, to find the first three library resources above, start with the library homepage, mouse over the “Search” label on the menu, and choose the appropriate link from the drop-down menu.*
Gathering Citation Information:

It is important to tell your reading audience whose works influenced your paper to give appropriate attribution to others’ intellectual work and avoid plagiarism. Let’s look at examples of the indexes for one each of our three electronic resource types. Each example will be followed by the correct way to cite it in APA.

eReference Book:


The above citation was taken as a screen shot, showing what the Credo Digital Reference Database provided. Make sure to compare such examples against your APA citation style guide; the appropriate citation style for this kind of resource is covered on page 205 of the 6th edition manual. This entry is correct as shown.

eBook:

Entry as shown in the catalog:

Using the above information, you would cite this according to the rule found on the APA Style Blog’s website (http://blog.apastyle.org/apastyle/2011/06/how-do-you-cite-an-e-book.html), which states that “If the book was read or acquired through an online library (e.g., Google Books, ebrary, NetLibrary) and not on an e-reader device, omit the bracketed information from the reference.” Therefore, the book is referenced like this:

Journal Article:

Index entry as shown in OmniFile Full Text Select database:

**Human Trafficking** and Sex Work: Foundational Social-Work Principles.

Authors: DeBoise, Crystal
Document Type: Article
Subjects: Criminal justice administration, Human trafficking, Sex workers, Law enforcement, Sex crimes
NAICS Codes: 922190 Other Justice, Public Order, and Safety Activities
Abstract: The article presents author's views related to human trafficking and sex work. He discusses several facts which includes a minimum-wage job for a higher-paid one in the sex industry, definition and concept of a human trafficking and concept of nonjudgmentalism. He also talks about importance of interactions with judgmental law enforcement, doctors, and others whose job it is to provide assistance.

This article has a DOI, which APA rules prefer you use if that is available. Using the example shown in the APA 6th edition manual on page 198, you would cite the above as follows:


Additional APA citation helps:

Need some help finding other examples of citing sources that look different than these? Try looking at the list of links located here: [http://www.bundlenut.com/b/7534021](http://www.bundlenut.com/b/7534021)

Practice:

Print off the worksheets that apply to the kinds of sources you have chosen. Fill in the blanks with as much information as you have available about your resource. Remember – while the blanks have been placed in the proper citation order, it will be up to you to decide which words need to be specially formatted per APA’s rules (i.e. capitalized, italicized, etc.).

Other Research Resources:

Looking for other kinds of library assistance? Please visit the White Library’s Tutorials page here: [http://sites.arbor.edu/whitelibrary/tutorials](http://sites.arbor.edu/whitelibrary/tutorials)