

# APA Essentials

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and in-text or parenthetical citations for the  
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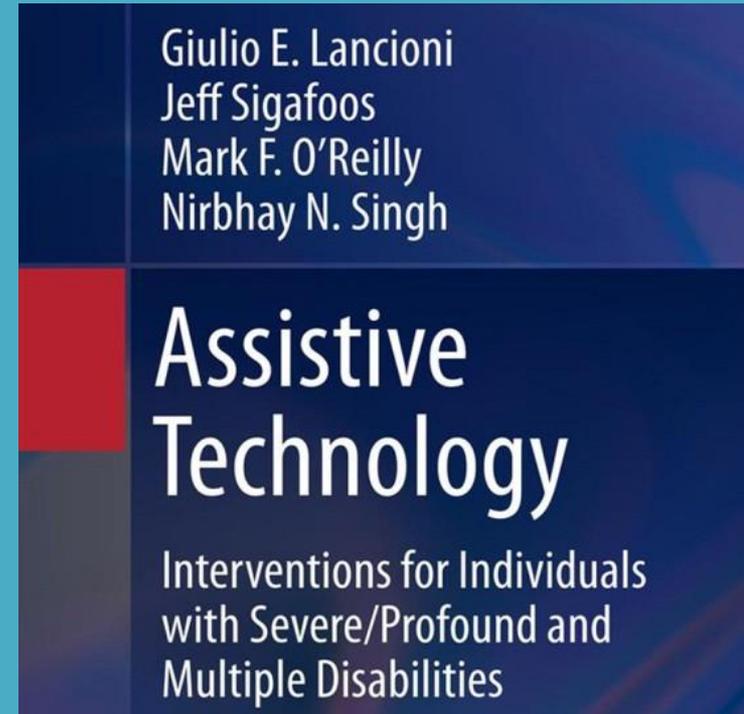


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# Format of Citation in Reference List

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1. Author(s) or Editor(s).
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5. City of Publication,
6. State or Country:
7. Publisher.



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Lancioni, G. E., Sigafos, J., O'Reilly, M. F., & Singh, N. N. (2013).

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*Assistive technology: Interventions for individuals with severe/profound and multiple disabilities* (2nd ed.). New York, NY: Springer.

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# Format of Citation in Body of Paper

## Parenthetical Citation Style

### **First Cite:**

Over the last decade there has been an increase in the use of assistive technology (Lancioni, Sigafoos, O'Reilly, & Singh, 2013).

### **Subsequent Cites:**

There has been an increase in the use of computer technologies in elementary schools (Lancioni et al., 2013).

## In-Text Citation Style

### **First Cite:**

Lancioni, Sigafoos, O'Reilly, and Singh (2013) found an increase in assistive technology use over the last decade.

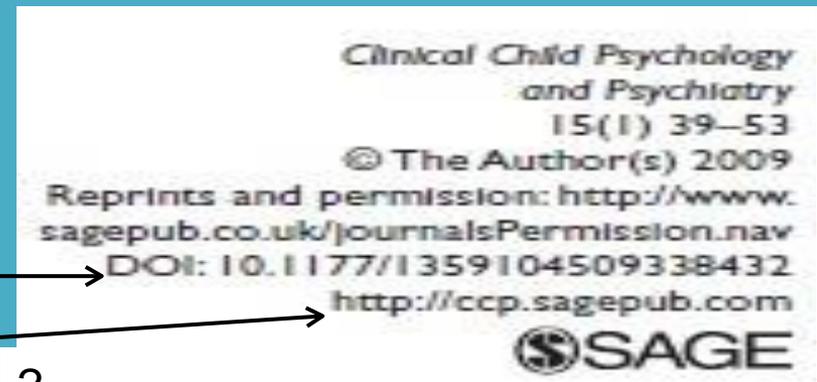
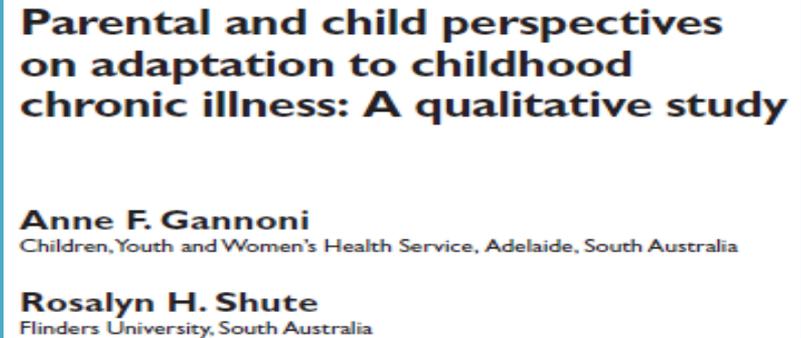
### **Subsequent Cites:**

Lancioni, et al. (2013) reported an increase in the use of computer technologies in elementary schools.

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4. *Journal Title*
5. *Volume*
6. (Issue number),
7. Begin page-end page
8. DOI number (preferred)  or link to publisher's Web site 



Gannoni, A. F., & Shute, R. H. (2009). Parental and child 3  
 perspectives on adaptation to childhood chronic illness: A  
 q 6 ati 7 study. *Clinical Child Psychology and Psychiatry*, 4  
5 15(1), 39-53. doi: 10.1177/1359104509338432 8 OR  
 Retrieved from <http://ccp.sagepub.com>

# Format of Citation in Body of Paper

## Parenthetical Citation Style

### **First Cite:**

Over the last decade there has been an increase in the use of assistive technology (Gannoni & Shute, 2009).

### **Subsequent Cites:**

There has been an increase in the use of computer technologies in elementary schools (Gannoni & Shute, 2009).

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Gannoni and Shute (2009) found an increase in assistive technology use over the last decade.

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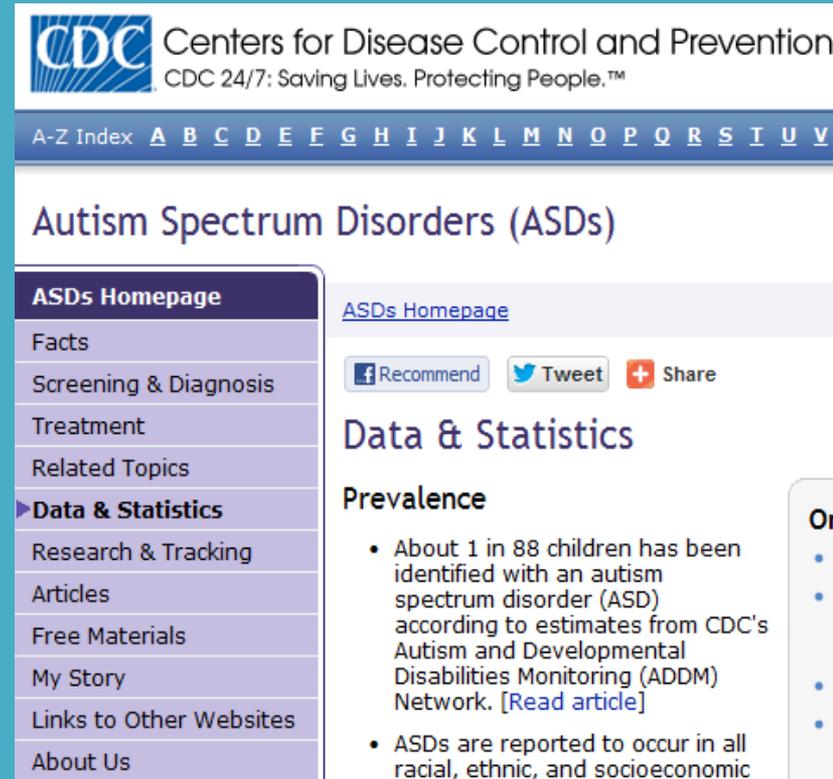
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3. *Web page title:Web page subtitle.*
4. Retrieved Month day, and year,
5. from [website name] Web site:
6. Internet address of Web site  
(use shortened version)

NOTE: website name may be the same as the author/organization



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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). (2013).

3 *Autism spectrum disorders (ASDs): Data and statistics.*

4 Retrieved July 10, 2013, from CDC Web site: 5

http://www.cdc.gov 6

# Format of Citation in Body of Paper

## Parenthetical Citation Style

### **First Cite:**

The impact of chronic disease is known to affect both children and their parents (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC], 2013).

### **Subsequent Cites:**

There were similarities and differences between interviews of children and their parents (CDC, 2013).

## In-Text Citation Style

### **First Cite:**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC, 2009) studied the impact of chronic illness on children and their parents.

### **Subsequent Cites:**

CDC (2009) reported similarities and differences between interviews of children and their parents.

# Author Rules

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### Work by 1-2 Authors

**First Cite:**

(Gannoni & Shute, 2009).

**Subsequent Cites:**

(Gannoni & Shute, 2009).

### Work by 3-5 Authors

**First Cite:**

(Lancioni, Sigafoos, O'Reilly, & Singh, 2013).

**Subsequent Cites:**

(Lancioni et al., 2013).

### Work by 6 or More Authors

**First Cite:**

(Schmidt et al., 2000).

**Subsequent Cites:**

(Schmidt et al., 2000).

## In-Text Citation Style

### Work by 1-2 Authors

**First Cite:**

Howard and Richards (2009)

**Subsequent Cites:**

Howard and Richards (2009)

### Work by 3-5 Authors

**First Cite:**

Smith, Jones, and James (2013)

**Subsequent Cites:**

Smith et al. (2013).

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