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(Wiesinger 1983, 834)

(Casper 2002, 107–9)

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(Chambers and Trudgill 1998, 13)

(Klausmann, Kunze, and Schramble 1993, 60–73)

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(Kleivig 2004, 2007)

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Trudgill, Peter. 1990. *The Dialects of England*. Oxford: Blackwell.

Tanaka, Yuki. 2023. “*Nihon no rekishi to bunka*. 日本の歴史と文化.” Tokyo: Sakura Publishing House.

In the case of unpublished works, the year should be replaced with 'n.d.' (no date).

Smith, John. n.d. *The Impact of Technology on Education*.

If a book is also available online, it is possible to include the link at the end of the bibliographic citation.

Labov, William. 2006. *The Atlas of North American English*. The Hague: Mouton. Also available at <https://www.bookstore.com/the-atlas-of-north-american-english>.

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Williams, Angie, Peter Garrett, and Nikolas Coupland. 1999. "Dialect Levelling: Change and Continuity in Milton Keynes, Reading and Hull". In *Handbook of Perceptual Dialectology*, edited by Dennis Preston, 369–83. Amsterdam: Benjamins.

In some cases, you may want to cite the collection as a whole instead. Please note that abbreviations like 'ed.' or 'eds.' are not needed in in-text citations.

D'Agata, John, ed. 2016. *The Making of the American Essay*. Minneapolis: Graywolf Press.

Foulkes, Paul, and Gerard Docherty, eds. 1999. *Urban Voices: Accent Studies in the British Isles*. London: Arnold.

Translated books and PhD dissertations

The information regarding the translation should appear after the title.

Baron-Cohen, Simon. 2012. *La scienza del male. L'empatia e le origini della crudeltà*. Translated by Gianbruno Guerriero. Milan: Raffaello Cortina.

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Vande Kamp, Mark E. 2002. "Auditory implicit association tests." PhD diss. University of Washington.

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Weinreich, Uriel. (1953) 1979. *Languages in Contact: Findings and Problems*. The Hague: Mouton.

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Schwartz, Evelyn. Forthcoming. *Capturing History: A Guide to Oral Archives Journal*. New York: Oxford University Press.

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Preston, Dennis R. 1986. "Five Visions of America." *Language in Society*, 15(2): 221–40.

Jeaco, Stephen. 2021. "Concordance Line Sorting in The Prime Machine." *International Journal of Corpus Linguistics*, 26(2): 284–97.
<https://doi.org/10.1075/ijcl.18056.jea>.

Zhang, Wei. 2019. "Zhōngguó Wénhuà de Yǐngxiǎnlì. 中国文化的影响力." *Chinese Studies Quarterly*, 34(2): 45-59.

Multiple authors

When there are multiple authors, authors other than the first one should be listed in the form of first name-last name.

Macchiarella, Ignazio and Emilio Tamburini. 2018. *Le voci ritrovate. Canti e narrazioni di prigionieri italiani della Grande Guerra negli archivi sonori di Berlino*. Udine: Nota.

Bucholtz, Mary, Nancy Bermudez, Victor Fung, Lisa Edwards, and Rosalva Vargas. 2007. "Hella Nor Cal or Totally So Cal?: The Perceptual Dialectology in California." *Journal of English Linguistics*, 35(4): 325–52.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0075424207307780>.

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Rossi, Marco. 2018. AB Archive. Version 2. Rome: Rome University. Distributed by Clarin VLO. Accessed March 3, 2024. <https://hdl.handle.net/98765/abcdef>. Also available at <https://example.com/romeuniversity/ab-archive>.

Cattoni, Roldano, Morena Danieli and Claudia Soria. 2001. ADAM Corpus. Distributed by Institute for Computational Linguistics "A. Zampolli", National Research Council, Pisa. Accessed March 3, 2024. <http://hdl.handle.net/20.500.11752/ILC-999>.

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Rossi, Marco. 2018. Interview with Piero Manzoni. AB Archive. Version 2. Rome: Rome University. Distributed by Clarin VLO. Accessed March 3, 2024.
<https://hdl.handle.net/98765/abcdef/mm>. Also available at
<https://example.com/romeuniversity/ab-archive/mm>.

Note that the reference list contains the date of archive/document publication, and not production. This latter information should be inserted in the text and not in the reference list.

Abbreviations

Weights and measures follow the International System of Units (SI), and such abbreviations should be used throughout the manuscript. Abbreviations used in AH without being defined at first usage include: x (mean), n (sample size), N (chromosome number, but see below for the use to refer to “north latitude”), no. (number), yr (year[s]), mo (month[s]), wk (week[s]), h (hour[s]), min (minute[s]), sec (second[s]), P (probability), df (degrees of freedom), SD (standard deviation), SE (standard error), NS (not significant), l (litre), kg (kilogramme), g (gramme), m (metre), cm (centimetre), mm (millimetre), µm (micron), °C (degrees Celsius), a.s.l. (above sea level; given as, e.g., 100 m a.s.l.), geographical coordinates (e.g., 15°25'N, 121°43'E). Other abbreviations can also be used, but define them at first usage. Sexes should be written as extended (male[s], female[s]) or abbreviated (M, MM, F, FF).

abbr.	abbreviated, -ion
ab init.	<i>ab initio</i> , from the beginning
abl.	ablative
abr. AC	abridged, abridgment After Christ
acc.	accusative
act. AD	active anno Domini (in the year of [our Lord])
add.	addendum
ad inf.	<i>ad infinitum</i>
ad init.	<i>ad initium</i> , at the beginning
ad int.	<i>ad interim</i> , in the intervening time
adj.	adjective
ad lib.	<i>ad libitum</i> , at will (often used without a period)
ad loc.	<i>ad locum</i> , at the place
adv.	adverb
aet. or aetat.	<i>aetatis</i> , aged
AFr.	Anglo-French
AN	Anglo-Norman
anon.	anonymous

app.	appendix
arch.	archaic
art.	article
AS	Anglo-Saxon
b.	born; brother
BC	Before Christ
Bd.	<i>Band</i> (Ger.), volume
bib.	Bible, biblical
bibl.	<i>bibliotheca</i> , library
bibliog.	bibliography, -er, -ical
biog.	biography, -er, -ical
biol.	biology, -ist, -ical
bk.	book
c.	century; chapter (in law citations)
c. or cop.	copyright
ca. or c.	<i>circa</i> , about, approximately (<i>ca.</i> preferred for greater clarity)
Cantab.	<i>Cantabrigiensis</i> , of Cambridge
cet. par.	<i>ceteris paribus</i> , other things being equal
cf.	<i>confer</i> , compare ("see, by way of comparison"; should not be used when <i>see</i> alone is meant)
chap. or ch.	chapter
col.	color (best spelled out); column
colloq.	colloquial, -ly, -ism
comp.	compiler (pl. comps.), compiled by
compar.	comparative
con.	<i>contra</i> , against
conj.	conjunction; conjugation
cons.	consonant
constr.	construction
cont.	continued
contr.	contraction
corr.	corrected
cp.	compare (rarely used; <i>cf.</i> is far more common)
d.	died; daughter
Dan.	Danish

dat.	dative
def.	definite; definition
dept.	department
deriv.	derivative
d. h.	<i>das heißt</i> (or <i>das heisst</i>), namely (used only in German text; note the space between initials)
d. i.	<i>das ist</i> , that is (used only in German text; note the space between initials)
dial.	dialect
dict.	dictionary
dim.	diminutive
diss.	dissertation
dist.	district
div.	division; divorced
do.	ditto
dram. pers.	<i>dramatis personae</i>
Dr. u. Vrl.	<i>Druck und Verlag</i> , printer and publisher
DV	<i>Deo volente</i> , God willing; Douay Version
ea.	each
ed.	editor (pl. eds.), edition, edited by (never add <i>by</i> after <i>ed.</i> : either “ed. Jane Doe” or “edited by Jane Doe”; use <i>eds.</i> only after, never before, the names of two or more editors)
EE	Early English
e.g.	<i>exempli gratia</i> , for example (not to be confused with <i>i.e.</i>)
ellipt.	elliptical, -ly
ency. or encyc.	encyclopedia
eng.	engineer, -ing
Eng.	English
engr.	engraved, -ing
enl.	enlarged
eq.	equation (pl. eqq. or eqs.)
esp.	especially
et al.	<i>et alii</i> (or <i>et alia</i>), and others (normally used of persons; no period after <i>et</i>)
etc.	<i>et cetera</i> , and so forth (normally used of things)
et seq.	<i>et sequentes</i> , and the following

ex.	example (pl. exx. or exs.)
f. or fem.	feminine; female
f.	<i>für</i> (Ger.), for
fasc.	fascicle
ff.	and following
fig.	figure
fl.	<i>floruit</i> , flourished (used with a date to indicate the productive years of a historical figure whose birth and death dates are unknown)
fol.	folio
Fr.	French
fr.	from
frag.	fragment
fut.	future
f.v.	<i>folio verso</i> , on the back of the page
Gael.	Gaelic
gen.	genitive; genus
geog.	geography, -er, -ical
geol.	geology, -ist, -ical
geom.	geometry, -ical
Ger. or G.	German
ger.	gerund
Gk.	Greek
hist.	history, -ian, -ical
HQ	headquarters
ibid.	<i>ibidem</i> , in the same place
id.	<i>idem</i> , the same
i.e.	<i>id est</i> , that is (not to be confused with <i>e.g.</i>)
IE	Indo-European
ill.	illustrated, -ion, -or
imp. or imper.	imperative
incl.	including
indef.	indefinite
indic.	indicative
inf.	<i>infra</i> , below (best spelled out)
infin.	infinitive

in pr.	<i>in principio</i> , in the beginning
inst.	instant (this month); institute, -ion
instr.	instrumental
interj.	interjection
intrans.	intransitive
introd. or intro.	introduction
irreg.	irregular
It.	Italian
L.	Latin; left (in stage directions)
l.	left; line (pl. ll., but best spelled out to avoid confusion with numerals 1 and 11)
lang.	language
Lat. or L.	Latin
lit.	literally
loc.	locative
loc. cit.	<i>loco citato</i> , in the place cited (best avoided)
loq.	<i>loquitur</i> , he or she speaks
m.	male; married; measure (pl. mm.)
m. or masc.	masculine
marg.	margin, -al
math.	mathematics, -ical
MHG	Middle High German
mimeo.	mimeograph, -ed
misc.	miscellaneous
MM	Maelzel's metronome
m.m.	<i>mutatis mutandis</i> , necessary changes being made
Mod.E.	Modern English
MS (pl. MSS)	<i>manuscriptum</i> (pl. <i>manuscripta</i>), manuscript
mus.	museum; music, -al
n.	<i>natus</i> , born; note, footnote (pl. nn.); noun
nat.	national; natural
NB, n.b.	<i>nota bene</i> , take careful note (capitals are illogical but often used for emphasis)
n.d.	no date; not determined
neg.	negative

neut.	neuter
no. (pl. nos.)	number
nom.	nominative
non obs.	<i>non obstante</i> , notwithstanding
non seq.	<i>non sequitur</i> , it does not follow
n.p.	no place; no publisher; no page
n.s.	new series
NS	New Style (dates)
ob.	<i>obiit</i> , died
obs.	obsolete
occas.	occasional, -ly
OE	Old English
OFr.	Old French
OHG	Old High German
ON	Old Norse
op. cit.	<i>opere citato</i> , in the work cited (best avoided)
o.s.	old series
OS	Old Style (dates)
Oxon.	<i>Oxoniensis</i> , of Oxford
p.	page (pl. pp.); past (also pa.)
para. or par.	paragraph
pass.	passive
pa. t.	past tense
path.	pathology, -ist, -ical
perf.	perfect
perh.	perhaps
pers.	person, -al
pers. comm.	personal communication
pl.	plate (best avoided); plural
posth.	posthumous, -ly
p.p.	past participle
ppl.	participle
PPS	<i>post postscriptum</i> , a later postscript
prep.	preposition

pres.	present
pron.	pronoun
pro tem.	<i>pro tempore</i> , for the time being (often used without a period)
prox.	<i>proximo</i> , next month
PS	<i>postscriptum</i> , postscript
pt.	part
pub.	publication, publisher, published by
QED	<i>quod erat demonstrandum</i> , which was to be demonstrated
quar. or quart.	quarter, -ly
q.v.	<i>quod vide</i> , which see (used only in a cross-reference <i>after</i> the term referred to; cf. s.v.)
R.	<i>rex</i> , king; <i>regina</i> , queen; right (in stage directions)
r.	right; recto; reigned
refl.	reflexive
repr.	reprint, -ed
rev.	review; revised, revised by, revision (never add <i>by</i> after <i>rev.</i> : either “rev. Jane Doe” or “revised by Jane Doe”)
RIP	<i>requiescat in pace</i> , may he or she rest in peace
s.	son; substantive, -ival
s.a.	<i>sine anno</i> , without year; <i>sub anno</i> , under the year
sc.	scene; <i>scilicet</i> , namely; <i>sculpsit</i> , carved by
Sc. or Scot.	Scottish
s.d.	<i>sine die</i> , without setting a day for reconvening; stage direction
sd.	sound
sec.	section; <i>secundum</i> , according to
ser.	series
s.h.	speech heading
sing. or sg.	singular
s.l.	<i>sine loco</i> , without place (of publication)
s.n.	<i>sine nomine</i> , without name (of publisher)
sociol.	sociology, -ist, -ical
Sp.	Spanish
s.p.	speech prefix
st.	stanza
subj.	subject, -ive; subjunctive

subst. or s.	substantive, -al
sup.	<i>supra</i> , above
superl.	superlative
supp. or suppl.	supplement
s.v. (pl. s.vv.)	<i>sub verbo, sub voce</i> , under the word (used in a cross-reference <i>before</i> the term referred to; cf. <i>q.v.</i>)
syn.	synonym, -ous
t.	<i>tome</i> (Fr.), <i>tomo</i> (Sp.), volume
techn.	technical, -ly
theol.	theology, -ian, -ical
t.p.	title page
trans.	translated by, translator(s) (never add <i>by</i> after <i>trans.</i> : either “trans. Jane Doe” or “translated by Jane Doe”); transitive
treas.	treasurer
TS	typescript
ult.	<i>ultimatus</i> , ultimate, last; <i>ultimo</i> , last month
univ.	university
usw.	<i>und so weiter</i> , and so forth (equivalent to <i>etc.</i> ; used only in German text)
ut sup.	<i>ut supra</i> , as above
v.	verse (pl. vv.); verso; versus; <i>vide</i> , see
v. or vb.	verb
v.i.	<i>verbum intransitivum</i> , intransitive verb; <i>vide infra</i> , see below
viz.	<i>videlicet</i> , namely
voc.	vocative
vol.	volume
vs. or v.	versus (in legal contexts use <i>v.</i>)
v.t.	<i>verbum transitivum</i> , transitive verb
yr.	year; your