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Reference List – Data Sets, Software, and Tests

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2.0 DATA SETS, SOFTWARE, AND TESTS

2.1 Data Sets

Citing data supports their discovery and reuse, leading to better science through the validation of results. It also recognizes data as an essential part of the scientific record and acknowledges data creators for their contributions. We recommend that authors include an in-text citation and a reference list entry for a data set when they have either (a) conducted secondary analyses of publicly archived data or (b) archived their own data being presented for the first time in the current work.

The date for published data is the year of publication and for unpublished data is the year(s) of collection. When a version number exists, include it in parentheses after the title. The bracketed description is flexible (e.g., data set, data set and code book). In the source element of the reference, for published data, provide the name of the organization that has published, archived, produced, or distributed the data set; for unpublished data, provide the source (e.g., a university), if known. Include a retrieval date only if the data set is designed to change over time.

DATA SETS, SOFTWARE, AND TESTS TEMPLATE				
Author	Date	Title	Source	
			Publisher	DOI or URL
Author, A. A., & Author, B. B.	(Year). (Year-Year).	<i>Title of data set</i> (Version Number) [Data set]. <i>Title of data set</i> [Unpublished raw data].	Publisher Name. Source of Unpublished Data.	https://doi.org/xxxxx https://xxxxx
Name of Group.		[Description of untitled data set] [Unpublished raw data].		Retrieved Month Date, Year, from https://xxxxx

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Data Sets		
1. Data set	Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). <i>Title of data set</i> (Version Number) [Data set]. Publisher Name. https://doi.org/xxxxx	D'Souza, A., & Wiseheart, M. (2018). <i>Cognitive effects of music and dance training in children</i> (ICPSR 37080; Version V1) [Data set]. ICPSR. https://doi.org/10.3886/ICPSR37080.v1
2. Unpublished raw data	Author, A. A. (Year). [Description of untitled data set] [Unpublished raw data]. Source of Unpublished Data. https://doi.org/xxxxx or https://xxxxx *For an untitled data set, provide a description in square brackets of the publication status and focus of the data.	Evans, S. K. (2014). [Personnel survey] [Unpublished raw data]. University of Southern California.

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2.2 Computer Software, Mobile Apps, Apparatuses, and Equipment

Common software and mobile apps mentioned in text, but not paraphrased or quoted, do not need citations, nor do programming languages. “Common” is relative to your field and audience - examples of software or apps that do not require citations include Microsoft Office (e.g., Word, Excel, PowerPoint), social media apps (e.g., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter), survey software (e.g., Qualtrics, Survey Monkey), Adobe products (e.g., Adobe Reader, Photoshop, Adobe Acrobat), Java, and statistical programs (e.g., R, SPSS, SAS). If you used common software or mobile apps during your research, simply give the proper name of the software or app along with the version number in the text, if relevant.

Data were analysed with IBM SPSS Statistics (Version 25)
Clients had installed the Facebook app on their mobile devices.

However, include reference list entries and in-text citations if you have paraphrased or quoted from any software or app. Also provide reference list entries and in-text citations when mentioning software, apps, and apparatuses or equipment of limited distribution – meaning your audience is unlikely to be familiar with them. The date of a computer software or mobile app reference is the year of publication of the version used. The titles of software and apps should be italicized in the reference list entry but not italicized in the text.

SOFTWARE AND MOBILE APPS OF LIMITED DISTRIBUTION AND FOR APPARATUSES OR EQUIPMENT TEMPLATE				
Author	Date	Title	Source	
			Publisher	URL
Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. Name of Group.	(Year).	<i>Title of work</i> (Version Number) [Computer software]. <i>Title of work</i> (Version Number) [Mobile app]. <i>Name of apparatus</i> (Model number) [Apparatus]. <i>Name of equipment</i> (Model number) [Equipment].	Publisher. App Store. Google Play Store.	https://xxxxx

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MOBILE APPS TEMPLATE

- The format for an entry in a mobile app reference work is similar to that for a chapter in an edited book. The most common case, in which the same author is responsible for the whole work and all entries, is shown here.

Author	Date	Entry title	Source	
			Mobile app information	URL
Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. Name of Group.	(Year).	Title of entry.	In <i>Title of work</i> (Version Number) [Mobile app]. Publisher Name or App Store.	https://xxxxx

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Computer Software, Mobile Apps, Apparatuses, and Equipment		
3. Software	Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). <i>Title of work</i> (Version Number) [Computer software]. Publisher. https://xxxxx	Borenstein, M., Hedges, L., Higgins, J., & Rothstein, H. (2014). <i>Comprehensive meta-analysis</i> (Version 3.3.070) [Computer software]. Biostat. https://www.meta-analysis.com/
4. Apparatus or equipment	Name of Group. (Year). <i>Name of apparatus</i> (Model number) [Apparatus]. https://xxxxx *If the apparatus or equipment comes with software, list both in the description.	SR Research. (2016). <i>Eyelink 1000 plus</i> [Apparatus and software]. https://www.sr-research.com/eyelink1000plus.html Tactile Labs. (2015). <i>Latero tactile display</i> [Apparatus]. http://tactilelabs.com/products/haptics/latero-tactile-display/

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5. Mobile app	Name of Group. (Year). <i>Title of work</i> (Version Number) [Mobile app]. App Store. https://xxxxx	Epocrates. (2019). <i>Epocrates medical references</i> (Version 18.12) [Mobile App]. App Store. https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/epocrates/id281935788?mt=8
6. Entry in a mobile app reference work	Name of Group. (Year). Title of entry. In <i>Title of work</i> (Version Number) [Mobile app]. Publisher Name or App Store. https://xxxxx	Epocrates. (2019). Interaction check: Aspirin + sertraline. In <i>Epocrates medical references</i> (Version 18.12) [Mobile app]. Google play store. https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.epocrates&hl=en_US

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To cite a test, scale, or inventory, provide a citation for its supporting literature (e.g., its manual, which may be an authored or an edited book, or the journal article in which it was published). If supporting literature is not available, it is also possible to cite the test itself and/or a database record for a test. The title of a test, a scale, or an inventory should be capitalized using title case whenever it appears in a paper. Although the test title may be italicized in a reference (e.g., in the name of a manual or when the test itself is cited), in the text, the title of a test should appear in title case in standard (nonitalic) type. A test database name (e.g., APA PsycTests, ETS TestLink) is included only for test database records.

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Author	Date	Title	Source	
			Database	DOI or URL
Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. Name of Group.	(Year).	<i>Title of the Test.</i> <i>Title of the Test Database [Database record].</i>	Test Database Name.	https://doi.org/xxxx https://xxxxx

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Tests, Scales, and Inventories		
7. Manual for a test, scale, or inventory	Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). <i>Title of the Test.</i> Test Database Name. https://doi.org/xxxx or https://xxxxx	Tellegen, A., & Ben-Porath, Y. S. (2011). <i>Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory-2 Restructured Form (MMPI-2-RF): Technical manual.</i> Pearson.

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8. Test, scale, or inventory itself	<p>Name of Group. (Year). <i>Title of the Test</i>. https://doi.org/xxxx or https://xxxxx</p> <p>*Cite the test, scale, or inventory itself only if a manual or other supporting literature is not available to cite; if a manual is available for a test, cite the manual, not the test.</p>	<p>Project Implicit. (n.d.). <i>Gender-Science IAT</i>. https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/takeatest.html</p>
9. Database record for a test	<p>Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). <i>Title of the Test Database</i> [Database record]. <i>Test Database Name</i>. https://doi.org/xxxx or https://xxxxx</p> <p>*Test database records (e.g., records from APA PsycTests, the ETS TestLink collection, or the CINAHL database) typically provide unique descriptive and administrative information about tests; cite the database record if you use this unique information. Otherwise, cite the test's supporting literature, if available.</p>	<p>Alonso-Tapia, J., Nieto, C., Merino-Tejedor, E., Huertas, J. A., & Ruiz, M. (2018). <i>Situated Goals Questionnaire for University Students (SGQ-U, CMS-U)</i> [Database record]. APA PsycTests. https://doi.org/10.1037/t66267-000</p> <p>Cardoza, D., Morris, J. K., Myers, H. F., & Rodriguez, N. (2000). <i>Acculturative Stress Inventory (ASI)</i> (TC022704) [Database record]. ETS TestLink.</p>