APA Citation Workshop: Activity I

As a general guideline, APA-style essay writers should include the author’s last name, publication year, and (in some cases) page number. Where to place the information, and precisely which information to include, varies according to whether the citation is a quotation or paraphrase and whether the author is named in the sentence or not.

Practice the rules for in-text citations by inserting the missing information for each of the following examples, using the following citation information:

**Author:** Michael Bestoff  **Title:** “Cell Phone Use and Collision Risk”  
**Year:** 2004  **Page:** 54

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With **quotations**, you must provide author’s name, year, and page number:

*According to recent psychological research, “students favor homework over more strenuous activities” (Williams, 2005, p. 54).*

With **paraphrase**, just the author’s name and year:

*According to recent psychological research, doing homework is considered preferable to sports (Williams, 2005).*

When the **author is named in the sentence**, the reference with the year follows immediately after the name.

*Research by Wegener and Petty (1994) supports the idea that pets are beneficial in treating depression and other illnesses.*

When the **author is not named in the sentence**, the reference with the author’s name and year are at end of sentence.

*According to recent psychological research, doing homework is considered preferable to sports (Williams, 2005).*
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