



Journal Article/Magazine/Newspaper Article

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Include page numbers.

If the publication has a "DOI" (Digital Object Identifier) number, add it. If not, omit. See additional rules.

Watson, J., & Cuervo, H. (2017). Youth homelessness: A social justice approach. *Journal of Sociology*, 53(2), 461-475. <https://doi-org/10.1177/1440783317705204>

Book

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Royce, E. (2015). *Poverty and power: The problem of structural inequality* (2nd ed.). Rowman & Littlefield.

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The COVID Tracking Project. (2020). *COVID-19 is affecting Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and other people of color the most*. The Atlantic Monthly Group. <https://covidtracking.com/race>



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