

Background/Research Paper Guide

Pre-AP Chemistry

Date Due: **Must be turned in by October 25th (7th period) or October 26th (1st period)**

Format: The research paper should conform to these rules:

- (1) a minimum of three pages
- (2) should be typed, double-spaced in 10 or 12 cpi
- (3) if printed on a laser or inkjet printer, it should no larger than a 12 point font
- (4) use standard fonts: arial, courier, helvetica, san serif, times, or times roman.
- (5) illustrations, title page, and bibliography are not included in the page count
- (6) pages must be numbered
- (7) At least five references; if an internet source is used (maximum of 2), **a copy of the web page(s)** must be provided. Only those pages actually used must be provided, not the entire web site.
- (8) Encyclopedias and search engines are not acceptable references for Pre-AP Chemistry. A web site counts as one reference; do not count *each page* of a web site as a separate reference.
- (9) If used, citations should be by the last name of the author and the year of the work, e.g (Smith, 1980)

Grading:

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| Meets minimums | 10 points |
| Accuracy (of material presented) | 10 points |
| Neatness | 10 points |
| Format (structure and grammar) | 20 points |
| Content (clarity, completeness, etc) | 50 points |

How to Cite References for a paper

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Example from a single author book:

Alvarez, A. (1970). *The savage god: A study of suicide*. New York: Random House

Example from a book with multiple authors

Natarajan, R., & Chaturvedi, R. (1983). *Geology of the Indian Ocean*. Hartford, CT: University of Hartford Press.

Example from a magazine

Maddux, K. (1997, March). True stories of the internet patrol. *NetGuide Magazine*, 88-92.

Example from a multi-volume work

Nadeau, B. M. (Ed.). (1994). *Studies in the history of cutlery*. (Vol. 4). Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press.

Example from an edited volume

Stanton, D. C. (Ed.). (1987). *The female autograph: Theory and practice of autobiography*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Example from an edited volume (separate author listed)

Pepin, R. E. (1998). Uses of time in the political novels of Joseph Conrad. In C. W. Darling, Jr., J. Shields, & V. B. Villa (Eds.), *Chronological looping in political novels* (pp. 99-135). Hartford: Capital Press.

Citation from an electronic source (Internet or CD-ROM) should be in this format:

Author, I. (date). Title of article. *Name of periodical* : (On-line), xx.available: specify path

Examples from electronic sources

Klein, Donald F. (1997). Control group in Pharmacotherapy and psychotherapy evaluations. *Treatment, I*. Retrieved November 16, 1997 from the World Wide Web:
http://www.apa.org/treatment/vol1/97_a1.html

Bower, DL. (1993). Employee assistant programs supervisory referrals: Characteristics of referring and nonreferring supervisors [CD-ROM]. Abstract from: Proquest File: Dissertation Abstracts Item: 9315947