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Author(s) of chapter. (Year of publication). Chapter title. In Editors of the book (Eds.), *Book title* (Chapter page range). Place of publication: Publisher.

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Roll, W.P. (1976). ESP and memory. In J.M.O. Wheatley & H.L. Edge (Eds.), *Philosophical dimensions of parapsychology* (pp. 154-184). Springfield, IL: American Psychiatric Press.

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Author(s). (Year of publication). Title. In Conference name, Date (Page range). Place of publication: Publisher.

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Field, G. (2001). Rethinking reference rethought. In Revelling in Reference: Reference and Information Services Section Symposium, 12-14 October 2001 (pp. 59-64). Melbourne, Victoria, Australia: Australian Library and Information Association.

e. ebook

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Author(s). (Year of publication). *Title*. Publisher. Retrieving date, http address. DOI.

Example:

Johnson, A. (2000). *Abstract Computing Machines*. Springer Berlin Heidelberg. Retrieved March 30, 2006, from SpringerLink <http://springerlink.com/content/w25154>. DOI: 10.1007/b138965.

f. Thesis

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Author(s). (Year of publication). *Title*. Information, Place of publication.

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Nikora, V. (2006). Hydrodynamics of aquatic ecosystems: spatial-averaging perspective. *Acta Geophysica*, 55(1), 3-10. DOI: 10.2478/s11600-006-0043-6.

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Amazing Amazon region. (1989, January 12). *New York Times*, p. D11.

e. Encyclopedia article

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Author. (Year of publication). Article title. In *Encyclopedia title* (volume number, pages). Place of publication: Encyclopedia name.

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Liffers, M. (2006, August 30). *Finding information in the library*. Lecture notes distributed in the unit Functional Anatomy and Sports Performance 1102, University of Western Australia, Crawley, Western Australia.

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Example:

Standards Association of Australia. (1997). Australian standard: Pressure equipment manufacture. AS4458-1997. North Sydney.

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Producer, P. P. (Producer), & Director, D.D. (Director). (Date of publication). Title of motion picture [Motion picture]. Country of origin: Studio or distributor.

Example:

Zhang, Y. (Producer/Director). (2000). Not one less [Motion Picture]. China: Columbia Pictures Industries, Inc.

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Example:

Taupin, B. (1975). Someone saved my life tonight [Recorded by Elton John]. On Captain fantastic and the brown dirt cowboy [CD]. London: Big Pig Music Limited.

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