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Journal article in a full-text database (Alterations, No page numbers)	Pg. 279.88	Borman, W. C., Hanson, M. A., Oppler, S. H., Pulakos, E. D., & White, L. A. (1993). Role of early supervisory experience in supervisor performance. <i>Journal of Applied Psychology</i> , 78, 443-449. Retrieved October 23, 2000, from PyscArticles database.	(Borman, et al., 1993)
Full-text newspaper article	Pg. 279.89	Hilts, P. J. (1999, February 16). In forecasting their emotions, most people flunk out. <i>New York Times</i> . Retrieved November 21, 2000, from http://web.lexis-nexis.com/universe	(Hilts, 1999)
Article in on-line journal	Pg. 272.72	Fredrickson, B. L. (2000, March 7). Cultivating positive emotions to optimize health and well-being. <i>Prevention & Treatment</i> , 3, Article 0001a. Retrieved November 20, 2000, from http://journals.apa.org/prevention/volume3/pre0030001a.html	(Fredrickson, 2000)
Government Document	Pg. 279.91	U.S. General Accounting Office. (1997, February). Telemedicine: Federal strategy is needed to guide investments (Publication No. GAO/NSAID/HEHS-97 -67). Retrieved September 15, 2000, from General Accounting Reports Online via GPO Access: http://www.aces.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces160.shtml?gao/index.html	(U.S. GAO, 1997)
Scholarly project or professional website	Pg. 275.80	United States Sentencing Commission. (n.d.). 1997 sourcebook of federal sentencing statistics. Retrieved December 8, 1999, from http://www.ussc.gov/annrpt/1997/sbtoc97.htm	(U.S. Sentencing, 1997)

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Book- single author	Pg. 249.27	Rosenthal, R. (1987). <i>Meta-analytic procedures for social research</i> (Rev. ed.). Newberry Park, CA: Sage.	(Rosenthal, 1987, p. 45)
Book – more than one author	Pg. 248	Beck, C. A. J., & Sales, B. D. (2001). <i>Family mediations: Facts, myths, and future prospects</i> . Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.	(Beck & Sales, 2001)
Article from a journal	Pg. 240.1	Mellers, B. A. (2000). Choice and the relative pleasure of consequences. <i>Psychological Bulletin</i> , 126, 910-924.	(Mellers, 2000)
Work in an anthology	Pg. 252.34	Bjork, R. A. (1989). Retrieval inhibition as an adaptive mechanism in human memory. In H. L. Roediger III & F. I. M. Craik (Eds.), <i>Varieties of memory & consciousness</i> (pp. 309-330). Hillsdale, NJ: Erlbaum.	(Bjork, 1989, p. 314)
Encyclopedia article	Pg. 254.38	Bergmann, P. G. (1993). Relativity. In <i>The new encyclopaedia Britannica</i> (Vol. 26, pp. 501-508). Chicago: Encyclopaedia Britannica.	(Bergmann, 1993, pp. 501-504)
Newspaper article	Pg. 242.9	New drug appears to sharply cut risk of death from heart failure. (1993, July 15). <i>The Washington Post</i> , p. A12.	(“New Drug,” 1993).
Chapter in a multi-volume series	Pg. 253.36	Maccoby, E. E., & Martin, J. (1983). Socialization in the context of the family: Parent-child interaction. In P. H. Mussen (Series Ed.) & E. M. Hetherington (Vol. Ed.), <i>Handbook of child psychology: Vol. 4. Socialization, personality, and social development</i> (4 th ed., pp. 1 – 101). New York: Wiley.	(Maccoby & Martin, 1983)
Dissertation – obtained from a University	Pg. 261.55	Ross, D. F. (1990). Unconscious transference and mistaken identity: When a witness misidentifies a familiar but innocent person from a lineup (Doctoral dissertation, Cornell University, 1990). <i>Dissertation Abstracts International</i> , 51, 417.	(Ross, 1990)