

### Citing a Discussion Posting in APA Style

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If you want to cite a colleague's Discussion posting, follow the guidelines in the *APA Manual*. Note, however, that authors of formal writing published in scholarly journals would rarely cite a Discussion posting because of its questionable scholarly value.

So let's say that you, student Zelda Gilroy, are participating in a Discussion topic called "Environmental Responsibility." You read a comment by fellow student, Chatsworth Osborne, posted on June 29, 2020, and you want to cite it. In your posting, you would write something like:

Osborne (2020, June 29) commented that people who drive gas-guzzlers are insensitive to environmental degradation. While that might be true for many drivers, it's impossible to say it's true for everyone. That kind of generalization is exactly what has so polarized the voting public.

In the reference list, you'll have:

Osborne, C. (2020, June 29). *Environmental responsibility* [Online forum post].

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