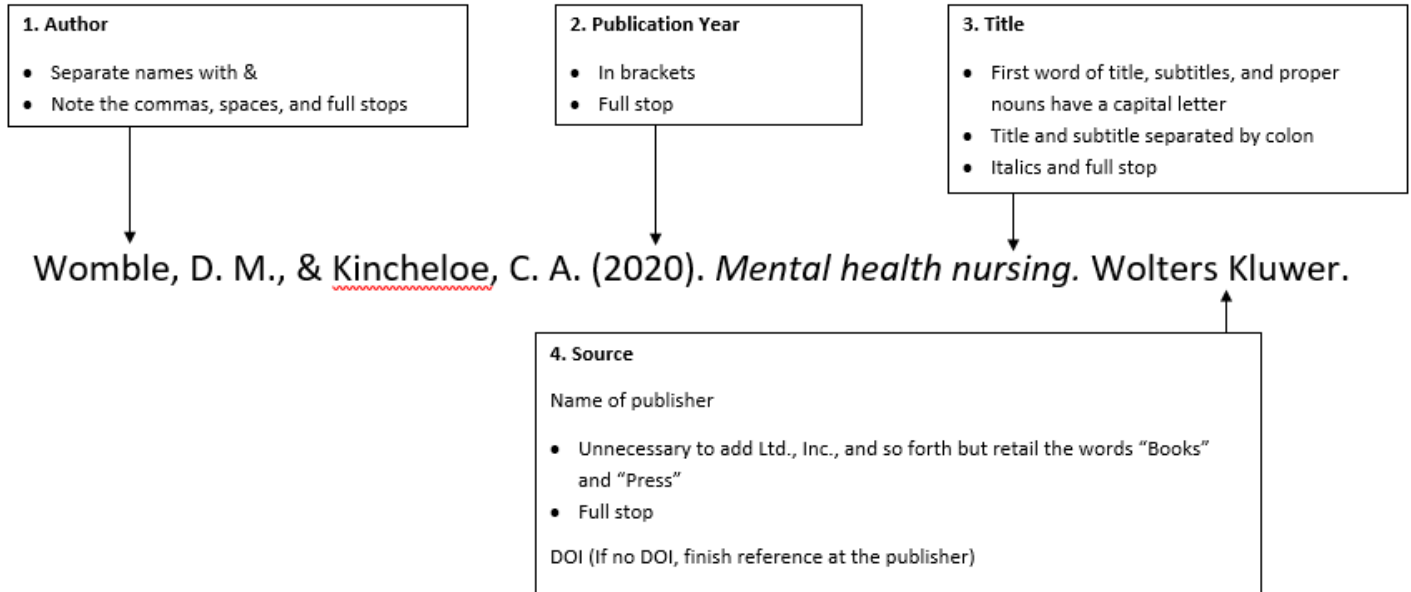# APA Referencing: How do I Reference a Book?

## Reference example

**Book—Reference Elements (Print or from a database)**

| 1. Author | 2. Publication Year | 3. Title |
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| • Separate names with & <br> • Note the commas, spaces, and full stops | • In brackets <br> • Full stop | • First word of title, subtitles, and proper nouns have a capital letter <br> • Title and subtitle separated by colon <br> • Italics and full stop |

Womble, D. M., & Kincheloe, C. A. (2020). *Mental health nursing.* Wolters Kluwer.

**4. Source**

Name of publisher

• Unnecessary to add Ltd., Inc., and so forth but retail the words "Books" and "Press"
• Full stop

DOI (If no DOI, finish reference at the publisher)

## In-text citation example
(Womble & Kinchelow, 2020)

## What information do I need to create a reference for a book?
Elements that may be required to create a reference for a book are as follows:

| 1. Author | Author(s) <br> Corporate author <br> Editor(s) <br> No author |
|---|---|
| 2. Publication year | Year <br> No date (n.d.) |
| 3. Title | Book title / subtitle <br> Chapter in an edited book |
| 4. Source Information | Publisher <br> Use a DOI (if available) or URL |
| Additional information | Edition number |