How to create parenthetical (in-text) references

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If you are working in an APA or MLA project, the In-text reference option next to each reference opens a popup help screen that shows how to create the correct parenthetical reference for that specific entry.

1. Next to each reference on the Sources page, on the Options menu select In-text reference.

2. Depending on the source, this popup help screen may prompt for a page or volume number in order to customize the example so that you can copy and paste it directly into your paper.

3. Scroll down below the example to read detailed instructions to guide you through special cases and other modifications to the parenthetical reference that might be necessary depending on the rest of your sentence and the other entries in your source list.