

# What is a Citation? How do I create a citation for an article found in a Gale Library Database?

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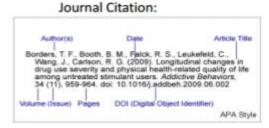
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## WHAT IS A CITATION ?:

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Date — (2009). Hydrogen. Retrieved from http://www.afdc.energy.gov/afdcfuels/hydrogen.html

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