CITATIONS and REFERENCES

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Reference list formatting guidelines:

- Your reference list should have the heading ‘References’.

- References are in alphabetical order by first-author-surname, and, if more than one item per author, ascending date order. If the same date for the same author for more than one item, use lowercase letters to distinguish: Jones, A. 1914a. . . . Jones, A. 1914b. . . .

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Bach, K. 2005a. . . .
Bach, K. 2005b. . . .
Smith, M. 1988. . . .

- First line of each reference against the margin and subsequent lines indented.

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