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### Four Elements of a Reference:

Entries in a reference list are created and assembled in a specific order; a reference generally is composed of four elements: author, date, title, and source. Please refer to page 313 of the APA Publication Manual 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, Chapter 10: Reference Examples (APA 2020) for more reference examples

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### **A Government Report**

National Cancer Institute. (2018). Facing forward: Life after cancer treatment (NIH Publication No. 18-2424). U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health. <https://www.cancer.gov/publications/patient-education/life-after-treatment.pdf>

### **A YouTube Video**

University of Oxford. (2018, December 6). How do geckos walk on water? [Video]. YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qm1xGfOZJc8>

### **A Government Webpage or Website**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2018, January 23). *People at high risk of developing flu-related complications*. [https://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/disease/high\\_risk.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/disease/high_risk.htm)

### **An E-Book**

Christian, B., & Griffiths, T. (2016). *Algorithms to live by: The computer science of human decisions*. Henry Holt and Co. <https://a.co/7qGBZak>