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In this final chapter we cover the guidelines set forth by the APA for writing style. APA has very specific writing style guidelines, which can be found in the sixth edition of the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* (APA, 2009). We discuss general writing style, including clarity and grammar, how to cite others' work properly and avoid plagiarism, and basic typing or word processing configurations for your document. In addition, we describe the basic organization of an APA-style paper and look at a sample paper. Finally, we examine briefly guidelines for presenting your research at a conference.