



# Success Center Tips for APA Documentation Style

## APA TITLE PAGE

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Saving the Amazon:  
Globalization and Deforestation  
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## ABSTRACT

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Abstract

The impact of globalization on fragile ecosystems is a complex problem. In the Amazon River basin, globalization has led to massive deforestation as multinational corporations exploit the rainforest's natural resources. In particular, large scale industrial agriculture has caused significant damage to the local environment. In an effort to resist the loss of this ecosystem, indigenous peoples in the Amazon basin are reaching out to each other, to nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), and to other interest groups to combat industrial agriculture and promote sustainable regional agriculture. Although these efforts have had mixed success, it is hoped that the native peoples of this region can continue to live on their homelands without feeling intense pressure to acquiesce to industrialization or to relocate.

## FIRST PAGE OF THE TEXT

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Saving the Amazon:  
Globalization and Deforestation

For thousands of years, the indigenous peoples of the Amazon River basin have practiced forms of sustainable agriculture. These peoples developed ways of farming and hunting that enabled them to provide food and trade goods for their communities with minimal impact on the environment. These methods have endured despite colonization and industrialization. Today, the greatest threat to indigenous peoples in the Amazon River basin is posed by the massive deforestation caused by . . .

**Sources:** American Psychological Association. (2010). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (6<sup>th</sup> ed.). Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association.

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### Sustainable Lifeways, Endangered Lives

The previous thousands of years of human influence on the Amazon is slight, however, compared with the modern-day destruction of rain forests around the globe, and in the Amazon River basin in particular. The sources of this destruction vary from country to country and year to year, with certain years affected more by climate change and other years seeing greater destruction from human initiatives, such as logging (Walker, Moran, & Anselin, 2000).

Cattle ranching has also led to the deforestation of the Amazon. The Cattle population of the Amazon nations increased from 26 million in 1990 to 57 million in 2002 (Prugh, 2004). . . . Ranching, Barrett (2001) observes, "doesn't require nutrient-rich soil" and therefore "took the place vacated by other activities, along with the blame for soil erosion and loss of biodiversity" (p.1).

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