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Example

Ibrahim, F., & Welday, M. (2008). *Pathophysiology* [Lecture notes]. Haramaya University. https://www.cartercenter.org/resources/pdfs/health/ephti/library/lecture_notes/nursing_students/LN_Pathophysiology.pdf

National Aeronautics and Space Administration. (2007). *Explorers' guide to the solar system* [PowerPoint slides]. Night Sky Network. https://nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov/download-view.cfm?Doc_ID=236

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Carroll, M. (2019). *Improving the health of populations and eliminating health inequities* [PowerPoint slides].
Canvas@UoA. <https://iam.auckland.ac.nz/profile/SAML2/Redirect/SSO?execution=e2s1>

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Speech

If you need to cite a speech e.g. Martin Luther King's declaration, reference the source in which you found it e.g., book.

Smith, J. (Ed.). (2009). *Well said! Great speeches in American history*. E & K Publishing.

Electronic Format

Author. (year). *Title* [File format]. Name of Collection; Name of Repository. <https://xxx>

Example

Ehau, K. H. A. (1953, June 7). *Kepa Ehau - Coronation speech* [audio recording]. Sound Collection; Ngā Taonga Sound & Vision. https://www.ngataonga.org.nz/collections/catalogue/catalogue-item?record_id=208210

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Lecture Notes or powerpoint slides of a lecture retrieved online

As indicated in their lecture... (Ibrahim & Welday, 2008).

Unpublished speech: (No corresponding Reference List entry)

In a speech it was reiterated that... (Dr Li Wang, personal communication, August 14, 2016).

Speech reproduced in a published source:

Dr. Martin Luther King stated, "I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed" (Smith, 2009, p. 219).

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Quoting

Direct quotes of less than 40 words require quotation marks and the page number/s. For audio recording use the time stamp.

- Describes the occasion of the coronation of the Queen as "Westminster Abbey bares witness to that glorious and wonderful pageant" (Ehau, 1953, 10.08).
- Ehau (1953) stated in his coronation speech to Queen Elizabeth II that "in the name of the Maori race we salute you ... we proclaim our loyalty ... we claim you our Queen" (13.23).

See also: [more on quoting, including long quotes ...](#)

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