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The reference list must be titled **References (Bold)**, and must be in alphabetic order, *not* numbered. The reference list must *NOT* be indented, but rather aligned to the left margin. The following style is required for the reference list:

Books.

Appiah, K A (1993) **In my father's house: Africa in the philosophy of culture**. New York: Oxford University Press (1992). [The second date indicates the date of *first* publication.]

Fanon, F (1986) **Black skin, white masks**. London: Pluto Press (1952-French). [The second date indicates its *first* publication, and must *state the language* if it is a translation. The name of the translator or editor is *not* required.]

Parker, I (1997) **Psychoanalytic culture: Psychoanalytic discourse in Western society**. London: Sage Publications.

Phoenix, A, Woollett, A & Lloyd, E (eds) (1991) **Motherhood: Meanings, practices and ideologies**. London: Sage Publications. [If there is a single editor, then the abbreviation is (ed) - *note*: no capitals, no full-stops.

Articles.

Puget, J (2003) How to cope with social disasters. **Free Associations**, **10(4)**, 454-471.

Squire, C (2001) The public life of emotions. **International Journal of Critical Psychology**, **1**, 16-27.

Chapters in edited books.

Lemert, C (1994) Dark thoughts about the self, in Calhoun, C (ed) (1994) **Social theory and the politics of identity**. Cambridge, Ma: Blackwell Publishers.

World wide web / Internet sites.

Young, R M (2000) Sexuality and the internet. <http://human-nature.com/rmyoung/papers/pap108.html>.

And for sources or sites that don't have dates, then *after the www address* it should state: Date retrieved or accessed: 12 July 2004. For example:

Young, R M (nd) Whatever happened to human nature? <http://human-nature.com/rmyoung/papers/paper56.html>. Date retrieved or accessed: 20 September 2004.

General style requirements.

Notes.

PINS discourages the use of notes, and recommends that authors incorporate these comments (notes) into the body of the text. Where notes are used these should be kept to a minimum, and *only footnotes* are accepted, *NOT* endnotes.

Abbreviations.

PINS discourages the use of abbreviations such as i.e., etc, e.g., viz., and would prefer these written out in full.

Quotations and quotation marks.

All quotations marks should be *double* ("*self and society*"), leaving *single* quotation marks for quotations within a quoted source.

All quotes are in double (") quotation marks, and *NOT* indented. Quotes should form part of the body of the text / paragraph.

For example:

It seems that the fascination with the originality of psychoanalysis as a system of ideas often at odds with “ordinary modes of thought” (Freud, as cited by Green, 1986: 17) has not abated since its inception and continues to catch the attention of some of the best minds of our age.

** Note that after the date and colon above, 1986: 17, there is a single space before the page is indicated. Thus, Green (1986: [single space]17) says that “Freud”

And:

Zygmunt Bauman (2000: 27) in discussing emancipation notes that: “One can do worse than define historical epochs by the kind of ‘inner demons’ that haunt and torment them.”

And:

In the above example *page references* are *NOT* indicated with the usage of the abbreviation p. or pp. for pages.

EXCEPT in book reviews where the text under review is frequently being referred to, the use of p (no full-stop) or pp (no full-stop) can be used.

Page references must *not* be used if there is not a quote referring to the page. If the author is indicating a *general* (as opposed to a specific) page reference, then it must have cf or see, thus: One can see, following Agamben, that in the analysis of the precariousness of life a politics of the body is implicated (see Agamben, 2001: 25-26), or (cf Agamben, 2001: 25-26).

Interviews.

Interview transcripts in the analysis of qualitative data should be in the following format, and *left aligned, and NOT indented.*

For example:

Interviewer: “So how would you explain the lack of condom use amongst young people even though they claim they know about the risks of unprotected sense”?

[The subject / interviewee preferably with a pseudonym, and NOT a code or abbreviation.]

Senzo: “I am not sure, but I think it has to do with a few things. Young people think they are invincible; a lot of sex takes place when people are a bit drunk or high or stoned; and I think a culture of machismo has something to do with it.”

Note a space between each “speech act” of the interviewer and interviewee, and the use of double quotes for the verbatim responses.

Emphases.

Eagleton (2003: 32) challenges the usual view about Marxism’s blindspots when he suggests that “The charge that Marxism has had nothing to say about *race, nation, colonialism or ethnicity* is equally false.” (emphases added).

The phrase “emphases added” is used, and not “my emphases”. If the emphasis, or emphases are in the original then it is not necessary to say anything.

Furthermore, *emphases are italicised*. **PINS** does *not*, or very seldom, use underlining.

Seeing as the language medium of **PINS** is English, non-English words, are also italicised.

For example: The isiZulu word, *ubuntu*, can roughly and meaningfully be translated as humanity, as people-centredness.

And: For the French psychoanalyst, Jacques Lacan, the notion of desire is inextricably linked to the French term for (sexual) joy, namely, *jouissance*.

All section headings should be in **Bold, and lower case**.

For example:

The non-conjugalised single parent and “broken” families

And all subsections are in *italics and also lower case*.

For example:

Gender as performative.

References.

When multiple references are referred to in the body of the text, they must be in *ascending DATE order*.

For example: The problem of “the other” has been discussed by a range of thinkers on the postcolonial question since Fanon (cf Fanon, 1968; Said, 1979; Bhabha, 1992; Gilroy, 1999).

If a text (book or journal) is referred to in the body of the article or book review then it should be in **bold**. For example: One of the latest books to proclaim the death of psychoanalysis is Todd Dufresne’s (2003) **Killing Freud**.

And: One of the journals to consistently argue for the social articulation of psychoanalysis is the London-based **Free Associations**, which has now being going for just over 20 years.

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