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In reference section/bibliography:

BRONK RAMSEY, C. 2009. Bayesian analysis of radiocarbon dates. *Radiocarbon* 51: 337–60.

<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0033822200033865>

REIMER, P.J. *et al.* 2013. IntCal13 and Marine13 radiocarbon age calibration curves 0–50,000 years cal BP. *Radiocarbon* 55: 1869–87. http://dx.doi.org/10.2458/azu_js_rc.55.16947

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More than one work by same author and same year	(Grayson 1983a, 1983b)	
More than one work by different authors	(Grayson 1983; Evans 2009)	In date order
More than one work by one author and different authors	(Grayson 1983, 2009; Evans 2009)	In date order
Personal communication	<i>pers. comm.</i>	
Classical or historical author	Bede (HE I.15; Colgrave & Mynors 1969) Pausanias (Description of Greece 3.19.7; Jones 1931)	See note below under citing Classical and historical sources

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HAWKES, J. 1991a

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HAWKES, J. & D. SMITH. 1999 [Two authors: second author name alphabetical order by surname NOT date order]

HAWKES, J., D. SMITH & M. CARVER. 1980

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Book	Mitchell	MITCHELL, G.F. 1976. <i>The Irish landscape in the twentieth century</i> . London: Collins.	
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settlement. London: The London Historical Society.

Journal paper	Peterson 1990	PETERSON, J.D. 1990. From foraging to food production in south west Ireland: some lithic evidence. <i>Proceedings of the Prehistoric Society</i> 56: 89-99.	Note not PPS, avoid abbreviations or acronyms
Chapter by another author in a book	Mallory & Hartwell 1997	MALLORY, J.P. & B.N. HARTWELL. 1997. Down in prehistory, in L. Proudfoot & R. Haynes (ed.) <i>Down: history and society</i> : 1–32. Dublin: Geography Publications.	ed. not eds. (short for edited, not editors).
Edited collection	Mallory 1997	MALLORY, J.P. (ed.). 1997. <i>The British Iron Age</i> . London: Thames & Hudson.	
Book in a numbered series	Henderson 2003	HENDERSON, J. 2003. <i>Glass-making in Roman Britain</i> (British Archaeological Reports British series 101). Oxford: Archaeopress.	Note no 'no.' is included in the series title
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Website with no author	Ancient Japan n.d.	Ancient Japan n.d. Available at: http://www.japanese-historyonline.co.jp/html (accessed 17 July 2009).	
In press	Jones in press	JONES, K. In press. <i>The beauty of the English countryside</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press.	
Unpublished report	Michaels 2004	MICHAELS, L. 2004. Hadrian's Wall. Report prepared for Northumberland Regional Conservation Agency, Alnwick.	Title is not in italics as it is unpublished
Unpublished conference paper	Tweddle 1987	TWEDDLE, K. 1987. The cat in Roman art. Paper presented at the 4 th International Conference of Roman Art, Milan, 6–8 May 1987.	
Newspaper article (with author)	Hodges 2008	HODGES, P. 2008. A view from the West. <i>The Guardian</i> , 1 May 2008, p. 10.	
Newspaper article (without author)	<i>The Guardian</i> 2008	<i>The Guardian</i> . Considering the past, 10 October 2008, p. 32.	List under 'G' not 'T'
Later translations	Hubbard trans. 2004	HUBBARD, E. 1901 (trans. 2004) 1901. <i>A history of South Yorkshire</i> . Translated by J. Proud. Barnsley: Yorkshire Publishing Co.	Place & publisher of the translated

References not using Latin alphabet (translation of title not given)	Chekov 2004	CHEKOV, V. 2004. <i>This is the English transliteration of the Russian title</i> . Moskow: Nauka (in Russian).	
Reference to Classical author	Horace (<i>Odes</i> 4.1.1-4; Rudd 2004)	RUDD, N. 2004. <i>Horace Odes and Epode</i> (Loeb Classical Library). Cambridge (MA): Harvard University Press.	Horace does not figure in the references
Reference to historic author	Bede (<i>HE</i> 1.15; Colgrave & Mynors 1969)	COLGRAVE, B. & R.A.B. MYNORS. 1969. <i>Bede's Ecclesiastical History of the English people</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press.	Bede does not figure in the references

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- nine sherds
- 11 coins, 15 lamps and 3 statuettes
- twentieth century

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- 5467
- 11 465
- 4 500 000

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- tenth century AD

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