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 - Reference list
 - Figures legends
 - Tables
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Headings and Table of Contents

- A well-structured text and meaningful headings make it easier for the reader to get a general idea of the text.
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 - 1 Chapter
 - 1.1 Section
 - 1.1.1 Subsection
 - 1.1.1.1 Sub-Subsection
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- Ensure that the **spelling** of names, terms, and abbreviations is **consistent**, including in tables and figure legends.
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- Number the tables consecutively using the chapter number (e.g., Table 1.1) and ensure that all the tables are cited in the text in the correct order.
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Variable	Times		✓	
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$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2 (3.1)$$

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• Author name/s and year of publication in parentheses:

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one author: (Miller 1991),
two authors: (Miller and Smith 1994),
three authors or more: (Miller et al. 1995);
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[3, 7, 12].
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Figures and Illustration Data

Digital Illustrations

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Scanning

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 Height:
 - Width:
- The minimum resolution for scanned **line figures** is 600 dpi.
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References	Citations in text agree with the reference list	
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	References follow the guidelines	
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	Consecutively numbered within a chapter	
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