Academic Paper Example

In-text Citations

Here are a few sentences taken from an academic paper which include in-text citation markers in APA format.

This article describes the development and evaluation of a new academic word list (Coxhead, 1998), which was compiled from a corpus of 3.5 million running words of written academic text by examining the range and frequency of words outside the first 2,000 most frequently occurring words of English, as described by West (1953).

The GSL has been criticised for its size (Engels, 1968), age (Richards, 1974), and need for revision (Hwang, 1989).

Research in corpus linguistics (Biber, 1989) has shown that the linguistic features of texts differ across registers.

Psychology and sociology texts were placed in the arts section on the basis of Biber's (1989) finding that texts from the social sciences (psychology and sociology) shared syntactic characteristics with texts from the arts (p. 28).

The corpus analysis programme Range (Heatley & Nation, 1996) was used to count and sort the words in the Academic Corpus.

The first research question asked which lexical items beyond the first 2,000 in West's (1953) GSL occur frequently across a range of academic texts.

Courses that involve direct attention to language features have been found to result in better learning than courses that rely solely on incidental learning (Ellis, 1990; Long, 1988).

References

Here is a full list of references to the in-text citations from above. They are in APA format.

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