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1. Citing Images That Do NOT Require Attribution

- If the license states “no attribution required”:
 - No reference list entry is required
 - No in-text citation is required
 - Only include a figure number and italicized title

Figure 1

A Striped Cat Sits With Paws Crossed



Note. Participants assigned to the cute pet condition saw this image of a cat.

2. Citing Images That Require Attribution

- If attribution is required, include:
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<https://www.flickr.com/photos/denalinps/8639280606/>

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Figure 1

Lava the Sled Dog



Note. From *Lava the sled dog* [Photograph], by Denali National Park and Preserve, 2013, Flickr (<https://www.flickr.com/photos/denalinp/8639280606/>). CC BY 2.0.

In-Text Citations

- **Parenthetical Format:** (Author or Organization Name, Year)
 - **Example:** (Denali National Park and Preserve, 2013)
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 - **Example:** Denali National Park and Preserve (2013)

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- If an organization is listed as the creator, the organization functions as the author.
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- **Narrative Example:** Pixabay (n.d.)

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