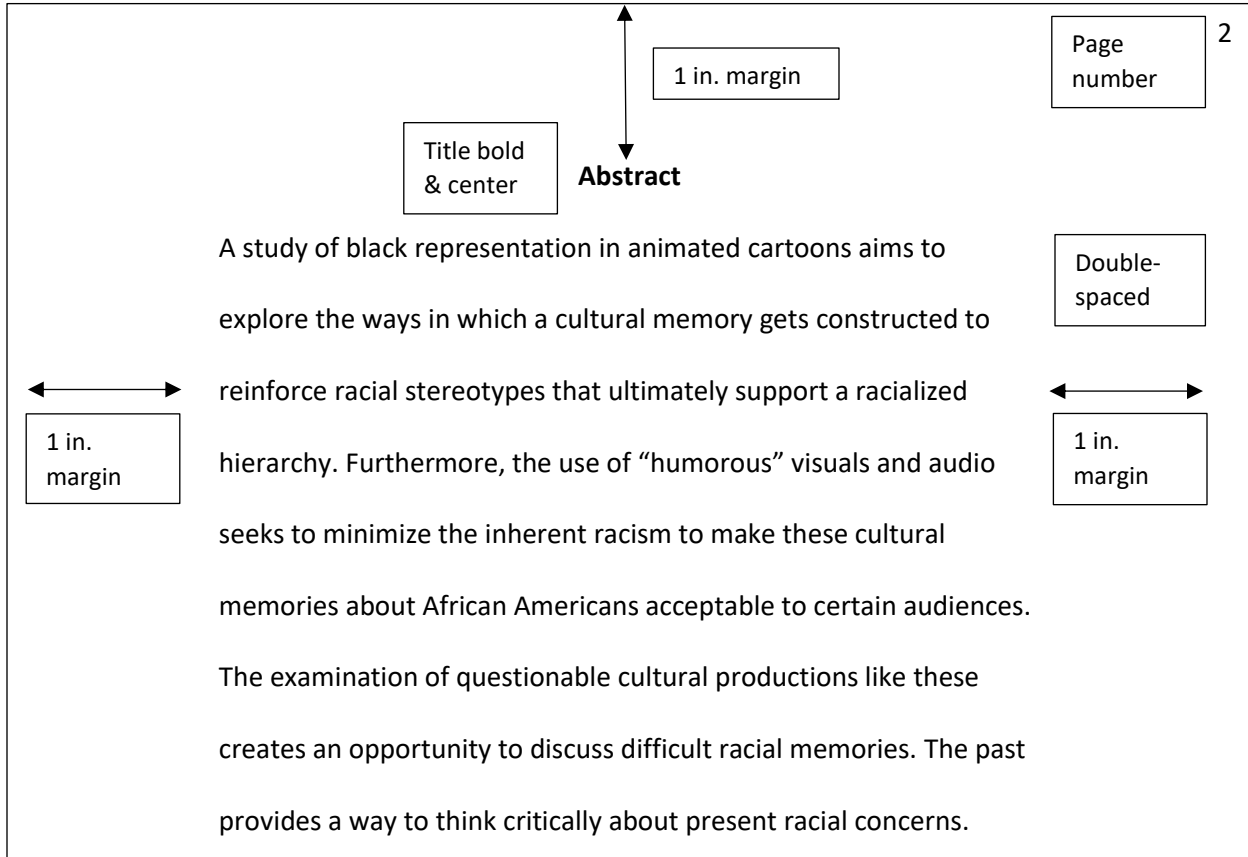


APA Abstract



Abstract Content

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 - Conclusions
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