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*Summer Moore* recently completed her PhD in Anthropology at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. She currently is a project archaeologist at the International Archaeological Research Institute, Inc., in Honolulu. Her doctoral research, which was supported by a National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, examined cultural continuity and change at post-contact Hawaiian house sites on the Nā Pali Coast of Kaua‘i Island (Hawaiian Islands). Her research focuses on household economies and social transformation, particularly during the Hawaiian post-contact period. Recent publications have appeared in the *Journal of Island and Coastal Archaeology* and the *Journal of Pacific Archaeology*.

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Probabilities and Possibilities

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- _-our_, not _-or_; e.g., honour, labour
- _-re_, not _-er_; e.g., centre, metre

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family (whānau)

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- Leave a space between numbers and units of measurement:

  26 cm

- SI (metric) units of measurement should be used, as per the international standard. Abbreviations for common units of measurement:

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<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Unit</th>
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<td>g</td>
<td>gram</td>
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<td>km</td>
<td>kilometre</td>
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<td>cm</td>
<td>centimetre</td>
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<td>°C</td>
<td>degrees Celsius</td>
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- In nontechnical contexts, use “percent”; in scientific and statistical contexts use “%”. Ideally one or the other should be used throughout the manuscript.

- For numbers of four digits or more (except page numbers; and for years of five digits or more), use the thousands separator (a comma):

  2,000

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- Use the following formats:

  29 March 1989
  1840s
  1956–1957

- Use the en-dash (–), not the hyphen (-), for date ranges and page ranges:

  1867–1892
  pp. 83–99

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  from 500 BC to AD 2000

- Use ca. for circa:
Born ca. 1899, she…

- Spell out centuries:
  
  twentieth century (nominative)
  twentieth-century colonial rule (adjectival)

- In reference to radiocarbon dating use $^{14}$C (not C14).

- Use World War II (not Second World War).

- Use the spellings “pre-contact” and “post-contact” (lower case and hyphenated).

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  red, white and blue

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Firth had this to say about the issue:

> For the Tikopia, headrest is the appropriate term. Though such rests supported the upper part of the neck … they were called in Tikopia urunga, which may be rendered in English as “head-placing”. … It seems likely to me that … they had a concept of the male headrest as a means of avoiding contact of the head with the ground, especially the domestic floor. (Firth 2000: 216)

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Firth (2000:16) felt that “headrest is the appropriate term” in the case of the Tikopia.

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According to Lévi-Strauss’s dictum, “les mythes sont à penser” (myths are for thinking with), ...

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- For positioning of citations, these options are both acceptable:

  Cormack (1994: 132) states that “when writing for a professional readership…”.
  Cormack (1994) states that “when writing for a professional readership…” (p.
132).

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- If there are more than ten authors, provide the first seven followed by *et al*.

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(James Booker, pers. comm., 10 Jan. 2013)
(T. Smith, WhatsApp message to author, 26 Nov. 2018)

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O’Malley, Vincent, 2010. Te Rohe Potae War and Raupatu. Wai 898 #A22. Report to the
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- Figure 9. Principal parts of a Takū canoe (from Moyle 2011a: 58).
- Figure 11. New outrigger canoe in Atafu Lagoon. Author’s photograph, 1976.
- Figure 12. Fakaofo’s freshwater well. Photograph by Marti Friedlander, 1971.

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‡ (double dagger)
§ (section mark)
|| (parallels)
# (number sign, or pound)

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Radiocarbon tables need to include the following: radiocarbon sample no., site/locality, provenience details, sample material, δ\(^{13}\)C ‰ (when available), conventional \(^{14}\)C age (CRA) BP, 2-sigma calibrated age range, calibration program used (along with version and citation), specific calibration details (e.g., hemisphere model, local Delta R value) and relevant citations for models, etc.. Delta R may be indicated as ∆R.

Example of a radiocarbon table:

Table 1: Archaeological \(^{14}\)C results.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Lab code</th>
<th>Site</th>
<th>Provenience</th>
<th>Material</th>
<th>δ(^{13})C ‰</th>
<th>Conventional (^{14})C age (BP) &amp; error</th>
<th>Calibrated age (2σ)*</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OZR597</td>
<td>Papau 1 (PAP1)</td>
<td>TP1, Layer V, Sample 0042</td>
<td><em>Periglypta reticulata</em> (shell)</td>
<td>2.5 ± 0.1</td>
<td>620 ± 20</td>
<td>AD 1551–1800</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OZR596</td>
<td>Papau 1 (PAP1)</td>
<td>TP1, Layer V, Sample 0041</td>
<td><em>Cocos nucifera</em> endocarp</td>
<td>–22.3 ± 0.1</td>
<td>150 ± 20</td>
<td>AD 1685–1950</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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