

Scholarly Article Autopsy

Group Members:

Recorder: _____

Presenter 1: _____

Presenter 2: _____

Title of Article: _____

SECTION 1: QUICK CLUES

1. What kind of information can you find about the **author(s)** of the article?
 2. Find the **abstract** and quickly scan it. What is an abstract? Why is it included with the article?
 3. Are there any **graphics** included in the article? What kind? Why are they included?
 4. Identify **citations** within your article text. **Circle** below what style of citation your article uses:
 - a. Numbered endnotes
 - b. In-text citations
 - c. Numbered footnotes
 5. Find one citation in the article text and **highlight** it, then turn to the bibliography/notes at the end of the article. **Highlight** the entry that corresponds to your citation.
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SECTION 2: CONTENT

6. Find the **research question** and **highlight it** (it may be more than one sentence). If it is not explicitly stated, please write the article's central idea in your own words below:

SECTION 2: CONTENT

7. Find the **methods** or **methodology** section of your article. How was the study conducted? How were subjects found? What tools were used to gather data? Summarize what was done.

After you have completed questions 1-7, come ask me for your comparison article.

SECTION 3: COMPARISON

8. Look at the comparison article and find at least three major differences between your scholarly article and your comparison article:
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
9. **When** could you use this kind of article?
10. Is it **better or worse** than a scholarly source?
11. **So, why** do scholarly articles exist? **Who** should use them and for what purposes?