Article Review Assignment/Extra Credit

How To Locate a Professional Journal

1. Go to the Hacc Home Page and click on the link to the Library.
2. Now, under FIND, click on Articles and Databases.
3. Scroll down to PsychINFO and click on it to bring up the search page.
4. Click in the boxes where it says: Full Text Documents Only and Scholarly journals, including peer reviewed.
5. Enter a topic you would like to search for in the box just below Suggest Search Terms. Examples might be: Depression, anxiety, stress, alzheimer’s, etc.
6. Click on “Search”.
7. Below each citation, click on Full Text-PDF to view the article. Do not click on Abstract or HTML.
8. If only the word Abstract appears under the citation, you will not be able to get a full text version of the article. Find another article to review.

- The article MUST describe an experiment and have a section named METHOD(S). You must attach to your paper a copy of the first page of the article you read. I do not need the whole article!!!
- Maximum length for your paper: 2-3 pages in double spaced, 12 point, Times New Roman print.

1. You may want to choose an article that parallels the topics we are currently covering in class, but you do not have to.

2. At the top of your paper (after your name; before you start writing), give the reference, EXACTLY in APA style (example below), for the article you chose. Notice that the journal title and volume number are in italics but the issue number is in regular font in parentheses (1).


3. From the introduction—What is the general topic that this paper is addressing? What is the purpose of the research described in this paper? What is the hypothesis?

4. Briefly describe the methods used to collect the data. Who were the participants? What did they have to do in this study? What were the measures that were collected?

5. In general, what were the results of the study? (Use numbers, like averages or correlations, if you understand them). For example, did one group score differently than another group on a measure? Or was there a relationship between two or more variables?

6. What is/are the major conclusions(s) drawn by the author(s)? What do the results mean for the “real world”/ how do they apply to you and me?
Example Paper

Your name here


*Psychological Bulletin, 126*(3), 910-924. doi:0004500/0000165809

(You need to give me your reference in this EXACT form)

Now write your paper. It can be 2-3 pages