

PRIMARY

V E R S U S

REVIEW ARTICLES

COMPARING THE 2 TYPES OF
PUBLICATIONS



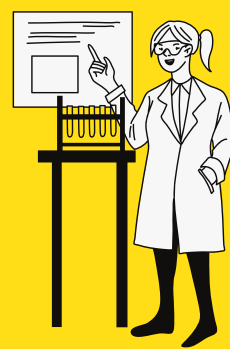
Primary articles report on original research conducted by the author team

They typically have methods and results sections to describe the experiment that was done and its outcome

Ask yourself:

1. Did the author team report conducting the experiment or research themselves?

2. Does the bulk of the paper detail the authors' own original research even if a literature review is included?



Review articles synthesize and/or analyze primary research studies already conducted on a specific topic or problem

A single review article will include and discuss the methods and results of multiple primary articles

Review articles typically provide readers with an overview of research on a topic or problem

Ask yourself:

1. Are multiple studies reported on and detailed in the same paper?

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