

# Reading an APA Research Article



Background  
Purpose  
Other Research

## Introduction/Literature Review



Gain understanding of topic.  
Find and use the cited primary sources.  
Don't cite these without going to  
primary source yourself.



Research design  
Sample info  
Instrumentation info  
Data analysis plan

## Methodology



Gain understanding of study's procedures.  
Cite article if using ideas from this section.

### Parts of a research article:

- \* Introduction \*
- \* Literature Review \*
- \* Methodology \*
- \* Results \*
- \* Conclusion \*



Presentation of results  
Significant statistics  
Tables/Charts

## Results



Gain understanding of study's results.  
Cite article if using information from this  
section.



Interpretation of results  
Connection to previous research  
Implications for practice & future research

## Discussion/Conclusion



Compare results and conclusions with other  
studies.  
Cite article if using information from this  
section.