331.01-01 Annotation Format

The annotations must reflect summaries of empirical (i.e., data-based) articles that appear in scientific journals. Your review must be narrowly focused, complete, and precise, and should not exceed two pages. Please do not annotate articles published before 2000. Each annotation must have four parts.

1) Begin each annotation with the full citation of the journal article (in APA style).

Example citation:


2) Prepare a double spaced narrative text that reflects each of the components listed below. Do not use outline format.

- a summary of the relevant issues that lead to this investigation;
- the purpose of the investigation and/or specification of the research questions
- a delineation of the specific research hypotheses (i.e., what was predicted?);
- a description of research participants (e.g., gender, age/grade range, other relevant characteristics);
- a complete description of the research protocol (i.e., methodology). This should include mention of constructs measured and conditions/manipulations;
- a summary of major findings; and
- conclusions reached by the investigators.

3) Prepare an integration paragraph: Conclude the annotation by describing how the findings of the study described in your annotation relates to the study assigned to the class for that day. In one paragraph, summarize the similarities and differences (e.g., consistent and/or discrepant findings) between the two studies. In other words, integrate the information from the two studies.

4) Attach a photocopy of the Title Page with Abstract to your annotation

⇒Email the completed annotation to each member of the class, plus me⇐