

Empirical Research: General Structure of Journal Articles

- Article Title
- Author(s) & Affiliation
- Abstract
- Introduction/History/Background
- Previous Research/Literature Review (related to this topic)
- Present Approach/ Objectives/Hypothesis/Model
- Methods/Study Design/Description of Statistical Analysis Methodology
- Results and Statistical Analysis
- Theoretical Implications/Discussion
- Conclusions (often includes areas which the authors believe merit further study)
- References
- Appendix
- Figures (may be at end of paper or interspersed throughout)

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