

Research Paper Reading Guidelines

Create a review form or checklist to help guide your club discussion and stay on track. Here are some sample questions you might include:

1. What is the purpose of this article?
2. What is the primary scientific question the investigators were asking?
3. Is the methodology adequate to answer that question?
4. What are the main results? How reliable and/or generalizable are these results?
5. What are the limitations of this method/study? What could the author(s) have done differently to further strengthen this article?
6. Are there conflicts of interest or potential bias that cause you to question the validity of this article?
7. Do the findings support the current policies and procedures in your practice? How might you apply this article in your practice?