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What is a literature review

A literature review is a critical evaluation of what has been published on a topic by accredited scholars and researchers. In other words, literature reviews are secondary sources, and as such, do not report any new or original experimental work. Thus, a literature review is not descriptive but analytical in nature.

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Scholarly journals that are published online in electronic format.

What are eJournals?

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Remember with e-Journals you don't have to go to the shelves to read an article, you can actually download the journal article, read, save as well as print as long as you have access to the internet.

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Firstly, with e-Journals you save yourself time that you will have to wait in case you placed an article request from the Library. Remember also that you are not the only student sending in a request, meaning your request is going into a queue which works on a first come first served basis.

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Conclusion

- All-in-one content management platform
- Librarian in the online library
- Technical methods not enough
- Checks and balances
- Pretesting and piloting
- Quality control mechanisms

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