

WHAT ARE JOURNALS AND ARTICLES?

Articles published in journals (also called periodicals) provide a key source of information in addition to books.

Journals are like academic magazines and have certain characteristics:

CONTAIN ARTICLES

Journals contain a collection of academic (scholarly) articles written by different authors.

PRESENT RESEARCH

Articles usually present and discuss results of recent original research.



TYPES OF ARTICLE

Articles can also be case studies, review articles, or short reports and opinion pieces.

ARTICLE TOPICS

Articles are likely to be written concisely on specific topics and published in specialist journals.

QUALITY OF WRITING

Authoritative writing by experts, often “peer reviewed” for approval by other experts.

PUBLICATION

Journal issues are published regularly and frequently with one year of issues compiled into a volume. They can be published online or in print.

WHY USE JOURNALS?

Use journal articles in your assignments to show that you are up to date with developments and debates in your subject area.

