

Protocol for Preparation of Article for Midterm Evaluation**Protocol for Preparation of your Article****Basics**

[1] This is a Group project

- Include the names of all the members of your Group on the front page of your paper.
- To get credit for the work you have done you must sign the paper
- All members of the Group who sign the paper will get the same grade

[2] The paper will be scored for 100 points

[3] Groups can divide the work for the project in any way they wish, but

- One paper needs to be presented for each Group
- No individual work will be accepted
- Members of the Group need to demonstrate, in the final paper, that all those who sign the paper have contributed to it

[4] Your paper should be typed, double-spaced, margins like those on this page, using Times New Roman 12 point font. It should be long enough to do the job, but should be at least 4 pages long and at least 1000 words.

[5] Groups who wish to get extra credit for their work can present their paper to the class during the Midterm Evaluation week

- Groups who present their work can do so using any means they wish, including videos and powerpoint presentations, but what will be used for computing the grade for the project will be the paper presented
- Up to 20 points in addition to the base score earned for the paper itself can be earned by presenting your work to the class (if you got 80 on the paper and do the best possible job presenting the work you will receive 100 points in total)

Tasks to Perform*A. Preparation of the Papers*

[1] Chose an article from the list on the Blackboard (the same list has been published on the OpenLab website)

- You can chose any paper on the list

[2] Summarize the Paper your Group has chosen

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- Put the contents of the article into your own words, but be sure to provide a complete summary and make sure that your summary includes all the information from the article that is pertinent and necessary to understand the point of the article

[3] Find a second article that connects with the one you've chosen in one way or another.

- The second article can agree or disagree with, expand, refute or complement the first article
- You can use any article that has a specified author or authors
 - You can use material found in journals, magazines, websites, podcasts, etc
- Provide a full reference for the second article you've chosen
 - 'Full reference' means that I must be able to find the article you have chosen
 - At minimum it must include author's name(s), full title, source (if a journal, the journal's name), date of publication, pages (when applicable), url (when applicable) and any other information necessary to find the article. If your article does not have all this information available *do not use it* for these purposes.
- Summarize the article

[4] Explain what is interesting, important or striking in the work you are reviewing

- Start by explaining why the work reported was done
 - What hypotheses, questions, concerns or other dilemmas was the work intended to examine?
 - Why did the investigator(s) think these questions interesting or important enough to examine?
- What further questions are suggested by the results obtained?
 - What might the next step(s) in investigation of the field in question be?

[5] End your paper with your own thoughts about the work you've reviewed

- What did you find interesting or striking in the work? Was it worth the effort?
- Did you think the author(s) provided good enough reasons and data to support their conclusions?
- What did you like about the work?
- What did you dislike about the work?
- What questions did the author(s) not ask that should have been asked?
- What's the next thing you'd want to know about the topic you researched?