

Research Methods
AGSC 5110
Homework #1 (10 points)
Due January 27, 2020

Download 10 articles on a single specific subject related to your research topic.

Choose one article and in your own words answer the following questions below (**please number each answer for clarity**):

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4. Does the article have a stated research question or problem? That is, can you determine the focus of the author's work?
5. Does the article describe the collection of new data, or does it describe and synthesize previous studies in which data are collected?
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7. Does the article contain a section that describes and integrates previous studies on this topic? In what ways is this previous work relevant to the research problem?
8. If the author explained procedures that were followed in the study, are these procedures clear enough that you could repeat the work and get similar results? What additional information might be helpful or essential for you to replicate the study?
9. If data were collected, can you describe how they were collected and how they were analyzed? Do you agree with what was done? If you had been the researcher, what additional things might you have done?
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Attach a photocopy of the article.

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