



# Scholarly Journals vs. Popular Magazines Worksheet



## Part I

You will need to use the **Academic Search Complete** database to complete Parts I & II.

1. From the Reynolds Library home page at <http://library.reynolds.edu>, click on **Academic Search Complete** from the *Popular Databases* menu on the left. If you are completing this worksheet from **off-campus**, a *Virginia's Community Colleges login* screen will appear. Use your – *My Reynolds* (Blackboard) username & password to access the *Academic Search Complete* database.
2. When the *Academic Search Complete* Advanced Search screen appears, click on the **Publications** link from the menu near the top of the screen.



3. When the *Publications* screen appears, type **american journal of public health** in the *Browsing: Academic Search Complete - Publications* window. Press the <Enter> key or click on the **Browse** button to execute the search.



4. When the next screen appears, click on the title, **American Journal of Public Health**.
5. When the *American Journal of Public Health* screen appears, click on **any recent year** link (e.g., +2013, +2012). You will also need to **select an issue** for that year.

All Issues  
-- 2013  
Vol. 103 Issue 8 - Aug2013  
Vol. 103 Issue 7 - Jul2013



6. When the results screen appears, **review at least 5 articles** from the issue and answer the questions on the next page under the *American Journal of Public Health* column.
7. Perform a *Publication Search* for **Better Nutrition** using the same steps you used above. Answer the questions on the next page under the *Better Nutrition* column.

### Part I - (continued)

Select the correct answer for each question for both *American Journal of Public Health* and *Better Nutrition*.

<b>American Journal of Public Health</b> Most of the articles are:	<b>Better Nutrition</b> Most of the articles are:
<b>Lengthy</b> - or - <b>short</b> articles?	<b>Lengthy</b> - or - <b>short</b> articles?
<b>Author</b> - or - <b>No author</b> information is provided?	<b>Author</b> - or - <b>No author</b> information is provided?
Written for <b>scholarly</b> - or - <b>general</b> audience?	Written for <b>scholarly</b> - or - <b>general</b> audience?
List of <b>references</b> - or - <b>no references</b> at end of article?	List of <b>references</b> - or - <b>no references</b> at end of article?
<b>Scholarly journal</b> - or - <b>popular magazine</b> ?	<b>Scholarly journal</b> - or - <b>popular magazine</b> ?

### Part II

1. Using the **Academic Search Complete** database, perform **any type of search on any topic**.
2. When the search results screen appears, review the results and select **two articles - one scholarly & one popular**.
3. **Print out the 1<sup>st</sup> page of each article** and note whether the article comes from a **scholarly journal** or **popular magazine** on the top of each article.
4. Attach both pages to this worksheet.

### Part III

Review the 2 article citations listed below. Select whether the citation comes from a **scholarly journal** or a **popular magazine**.

1. Jagodozinki, Jan. "The Perversity of Reality TV: A Symptom of Our Times." Journal for the Psychoanalysis of Culture & Society 8.2 (Fall 2013): p320 (12 pages - 7288 words)

**scholarly journal** - or - **popular magazine**

2. Zeitchik, Steven. "Back to Reality: You've Seen Her Rockin' Reality Show on MTV. But Could Cheyenne's Real Life Be Even Better?" Daily Variety Sep. 18, 2013: 19 (1 page - 291 words)

**scholarly journal** - or - **popular magazine**