Source . Understand . Research . Evaluate.

Module: Use Newspaper Resources for Your Project: Summary

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1	Using Newspaper Articles	• **Skim** and **scan** articles to extract only information that is relevant to your project. • Demonstrate understanding of the gist (main idea) of the article by **paraphrasing**. • Learn to **cite** the articles in the proper format to avoid plagiarism.
2	Skimming	**Skimming** involves a quick read of the article for the 5Ws to determine the gist of the contents, so you can decide if it is relevant to you. Reading the newspaper article's **Headline**, **Strapline** and **Lead** will typically answer the 5W questions, providing the essence, context and summary of the basic facts of the story.
3	Scanning	**Scan** through the relevant articles very quickly to identify specific information or facts you are looking for. Scanning involves: 1. Thinking about a pre-determined **idea**, **keyword** or **fact** you want to locate 2. Searching the text quickly for the pre-determined and related ideas within the article. Do not read every word
4	Note-taking and Paraphrasing	After scanning the article or articles, **record** the relevant information that you need, and rewrite them **in your own words**. Your paraphrased text should suit the context and demonstrate your understanding of the main points
5	Cite Your Sources	**Citation Format for Newspaper Articles from Printed Newspaper** <Writer's last name, first name initials>. <(YYYY, Month Date)>. <Article title>. <Newspaper name>, p. <section and page number>. **Citation Format for Newspaper Articles taken from Internet** <Writer's last name, first name initials>.<(YYYY, Month Date)>. <Article title>. <Publication title>, Retrieved <Month Date, YYYY>, from <Article URL>. **Citation Format for Newspaper Articles taken from Online Database** <Writer's last name, first name initials>. <(YYYY, Month Date)>. <Article title>. <Newspaper name>, Retrieved <Month Date, YYYY>, from <Database name> database. <(File name and number, if available)>. The online resource **www.citationmachine.net** provides a useful tool to generate citations for various different resources.