

# **Week 2 Overview**

## Undergraduate Research Methods in Psychology

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#### 1 Last Week Review

- We went over the course structure, syllabus, and my expectations for grading and due dates
- We talked about chapter 1 of the textbook, focusing on the fundamental ideas in the processes and principles of science
- We discussed the essential elements of why we use APA style and how to cite scientific publications

### 2 Learning Objective(s)

- Explain why all scientists, including psychologists, value research-based conclusions over beliefs based on experience, intuition, or authority.
- Locate legitimate research-based information and read it with a purpose.
- Be able to understand and appreciate why certain sources are valued above others and how we make this determination (i.e., *why* is research the best?)
- Be able to enumerate the reasons why a source is, or is not, a valid scientific resource, and why some sources may be of mixed validity
- Be able to explain how well a source follows the empirical, theory hypothesis data model
- Be able to recognize biases in your approach to literature review

#### 3 Lecture(s) & Participation

	Week 2 Class Meeting on Monday, Jan 13 at 6:00pm EST
	Week 2 Lecture and notes on research sources
	Q & A Week 2 Discussion Board due Monday, Jan 13 at 9:00pm EST in class
	Article Scavenger Hunt Activity and Demonstration due Monday, Jan 13 at 9:00pm
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4	Reading(s)
	Chapter 2 of Textbook
5	Homework & Assignment(s) Due
(see	Research Proposal Topics due on Sunday, Jan 19 at 11:59pm EST on Blackboard Research Proposal Instruction Document for more information)
6	Assessments
	Quiz 1 due Monday, Jan 13 at 9:00pm EST in class

## 7 Looking Ahead

• No in-person classes on Monday, Jan 20 due to MLk Jr. Day Recess