Validating Your Resources

Paraphrasing the ideas of others is a requirement in academic writing and graduate study. Paraphrasing is using your own words to restate ideas or information from a source material.

Identify your research questions from the "Reference List" assignment in Topic 2 and refine the questions if needed. Complete the chart and be sure to include an APA-style reference for each article. Include the following elements:

* A paraphrased summary of the article (refer to the note on paraphrasing below).
* An explanation of why it is considered a scholarly reference.
* A reflection on how it is applicable to your research.
* The correct APA citation.

As you write each, use these three main steps to paraphrasing:

* Identify the original idea(s) in the article.
* Identify general points regarding the idea(s).
* Summarize the main points of the article in your own words.

Prepare this assignment according to the guidelines found in the APA Style Guide, located in the Student Success Center.