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INTRODUCTION TO SCIENTIFIC PAPERS -2-

1- CHARACTERISTICS OF A RESEARCH WORK

Writing a research work is not a random task, but rather a very complex one. Thus, the researcher must be very careful when choosing the topic. The latter should fulfill certain criteria.

- Reliability : it means that whenever we conduct the same <u>means of research</u>, the same <u>steps in procedure</u>, and the same <u>population</u>, we obtain the same results . These three choices have to be adopted differently by different researchers, if the results are similar, the work is reliable.
- Credibility : the truth is embodied in the references list . The researcher can never engage in a research work unless references do exist . He must , thus, consult the shelves of the university . It is preferable to have more books than article or magazines in the references list .
- Generalizability : The researcher will point out to a given population that will be considered as representatives of the whole community . This can be maintained by the common features shared by the population .
- Empirical -or real : Which means it has to be carried out in the real existing life since it requires a real experience . Reality strengthens the findings .

Controlled : When the researcher specifies some key elements from the onset of his research , his work will be under control . The parameters have to be set up clearly from the beginning .

2- Title of a research work :

The title of a research work is a label .Normally, it is not a sentence . The meaning and the order of words in a work are important . Titles should never contain abbreviations and jargon

3- How to write the Abstract :

An abstract should be viewed as a miniature version of the work . It should provide a brief summary of the main chapters of the paper . A well-prepared abstract enables readers to identify the basic contents of the research work quickly and accurately .

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