

## Literature review report

## What is a literature review report?

A literature review refers to a collection of materials on a specific topic. The review evaluates and reports on the main ideas of a particular subject area using synthesis. Synthesizing information is not summarizing each article, but rather organizing the information by the main points of the larger topic.

A literature review is a survey and discussion of the literature in a given area of study. It is a concise overview of what has been studied, argued, and established about a topic, and it is usually organized chronologically or thematically. A literature review surveys scholarly articles, books and other sources relevant to a particular issue, area of research, or theory, providing a description, summary, and critical evaluation of each work. A literature review can be just a simple summary of the sources, but it usually has an organizational pattern and combines both summary and synthesis to give a new interpretation of old material or combine new with old interpretations. Or it might trace the intellectual progression of the field, including major debates. And depending on the situation, the literature review may evaluate the sources and advise the reader on the most pertinent or relevant.

## How to write a good literature review report?

- ✓ Remember the purpose
- ✓ Read and research the information with a purpose
- ✓ Write with a purpose your aim should be to answer all the questions required by the review report.

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