

PTA 100
Introduction to Physical Therapist Assistant

Format for Research Article Paper #2

1. **Discuss a current change or innovative procedure in rehabilitation:**

- (i.e., new technology, new treatment approach for diagnoses, changes in law, or changes in reimbursement).

2. The article or study may be taken from any peer reviewed health care journal.

- It is REQUIRED for you to site more than one supporting source

3. Summarize and analyze the article and include the following:

- What it is the article about?
- To whom might it be important?
- The significance of the topic, and discussion/conclusion.
- **MUST** include a clinical practice implication based on the results or conclusion from the chosen article.

4. Analyze the article from your perspective. This may include, but is not limited to:

- Discussing the strength of the study or data
- Suggestions to improve study
- Implications for future research.

5. No plagiarism will be allowed: Minimum of 25% on Turnitin

6. Deductions will be applied for the following

- Grammar & spelling
- Late submission: *technical difficulties do not excuse failure to turn in assignment on time; & Students can choose to turn assignment earlier at their discretion*
- Wrong formatting (MUST BE APA FORMAT)

7. Formatting: must use **Times New Roman & 12 point font; double-spaced throughout; numbered pages in top right-hand corner.**
8. Include reference page used in **APA format (in-line citation must match).**
9. Written in 4 pages for (groups of 2-3) 5 pages for (groups of 4) (not including the cover and references page)

PTA 100 Intro to PTA: Grading Rubric

Name: _____ Date: _____

Title of assignment: Research Article assignment #2

Performance Element	Distinguished 100% Points	Proficient 75% Points	Intermediate 50% Points	Novice 25% Point	Total Score
Research article chosen from any peer reviewed health care journal	Article chosen from a health care journal. Includes at least one more cited source from a reputable source.	Article chosen from a health care journal, & other source from a non-peer-reviewed source.	Both cited sources from general medical sciences sources	Neither chosen sources from healthcare or medical sciences. OR only one cited source	
Paper Organization: Cover page and AMA formatting & style	Cover Page: Course Name & Number, Title of Paper, Student name, & date APA Format & Style: 12 pt Font, Times New Roman, double spacing, numbered pages, & in-text citations.	Cover Page missing 1 component, but all others present 1-2 Formatting and/or Style errors	Cover page with 2 missing components 3-4 Formatting & Style errors Not reflective of APA style & formatting	3 or more missing components of Cover Page More than 3 errors in Formatting & Style Not APA style	
Content: Written in 2-4 pages (not including the cover & reference page)	Paper written within 3-4 (complete) pages, not including cover nor reference page	Paper written in 5 pages or more	Paper written in less than 3 complete pages, but more than 2	Paper written in less than 2 complete pages	
Inclusion of references page in AMA format	Separate reference page with correct APA format for sources used	Reference page with 1-3 errors in formatting	Reference page with 4-6 errors in formatting	Reference page not included separately More than 6 errors in formatting	

Spelling accuracy & sentence construction	No spelling errors and proper sentence construction and coherence	2-3 spelling errors 1-2 errors on sentence construction and coherence	4-6 spelling errors Frequent errors (3-5) on sentence construction and coherence	More than 7 spelling errors Ineffective wording and sentence construction (constant= more than 5 errors)	
Summary & analysis of current research-based rehabilitation development	<p>Complete summary and analysis of research (free of plagiarism)</p> <p>Summarize and analyze the article and include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What it is the article about? 2. To whom might it be important? 3. The significance of the topic, and discussion/conclusion. 4. MUST include a clinical practice implication based on the results or conclusion from the chosen article. <p>Analyze the article from your perspective. This may include, but is not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Discussing the strength of the study or data 6. Suggestions to improve study implications for future research. 	<p>Brief summary and analysis or research material</p> <p>Addresses 3 out of 4 prior questions</p> <p>Limited critique of the research</p> <p>Limited or weak clinical implication(s) drawn from discussion.</p>	<p>Only a summary or weak analysis (i.e. significance of topic, to who it might be important) is included, not both.</p> <p>No critique of the research</p> <p>No inferred clinical implications</p>	<p>Most of the paper is plagiarized without analysis in student's own words.</p> <p>Sources not cited (i.e., lack of in-line citations throughout)</p>	
Total Points					

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