

Talking to the Dead

Unpacking the report sections



Method:
production/construction

(We can cover this bit
some more next week)

Abstract/summary 150 words

Key words - 4-6 words

Introduction

Methods

Discussion (of results)

Conclusion

Reference list

Abstract/summary
150 words max.



An abstract is a brief synopsis or summary of the most important points that the you make in the report.



It is a highly condensed version of the report itself.



After reading the abstract, the reader knows the main points that you make, SO,



WRITE IT LAST

Key words - 4-6 words

- or focus word
- word that describes the content on your report
- Sheds lights on or indicates what is to come (not detailed)
- Think of a 'search' word. So when googled or binged they should find your work (along with others of same ilk).





Introduction

- An introduction is the opening paragraph/s of your report
- It should **briefly** introduce the topic and **outline** your **key ideas/points**
- An introduction should also provide **context** and try to **hook** the reader's interest

(this should have details, where is the site, what exactly is being examined)

Methods

- Detailed and exact!
- A particular procedure for accomplishing or approaching something
- Describes the steps you took, the selection, what you are looking at (age, identity, emotion, etc.)

Think, could someone copy what you have done, have you given this level of detail?

'2 grave sites were selected to examine the emotion of desecration on a religious level, they were the X graves in Paris & Y graves in Hungary.





Discussion (of results)

- The purpose of the **discussion** is to interpret and describe the significance of your findings
- Doing so in light of what YOU already known about the **research problem** being investigated
- To explain any new understanding or insights that emerged as a result of **your study** of the problem

Think: What do we now know that we did not before?

Conclusion

Conclusions:

- restate your aims,
- summarise your findings and
- make a final conclusion in answer to your title

They sometimes consider the future of the topic in terms of research, actions or practice.

DO NOT introduce any new information such as extra evidence

Think: If you did not talk about it before you cannot conclude it here



What else?

- What makes a good one,
 - Appropriate illustrations
 - Well written, structured
 - Fully and correctly cited and referenced
 - Carefully edited
 - Good reference list

