

Outline for Review Option

- I. Title (this will probably change)**
- II. The Purpose of this paper is . . .**
- III. Introduction**
 - A. Describe the problem the review will help resolve**
 - B. Describe why an analysis of existing information is appropriate**
 - C. Present**
 - 1. Importance of the problem**
 - 2. Scope of the review**
 - 3. How results of the review should be applied**
 - D. State the research questions**
- IV. Methodology**
 - A. Explain**
 - 1. Your method of identifying and locating sources**
 - a. Databases that you will use or have used**
 - b. Descriptors that you will use or have used**
 - 2. Procedures to be used in analyzing the sources**
 - 3. Criteria used for evaluating the information found**
- V. Analysis and discussion**
 - A. Description of this section (DON'T use this part (V.A.)to organize your writing. This section is just for explanation)**
 - 1. Present evidence and ideas summarized from the sources analyzed.**

This review is driven by the problem presented, and by sub-topics related to that problem. therefore, individual sources are to be reviewed, not as isolated entities, but with attention to the contribution they make to the topic under discussion.
 - 2. Information based on personal experience, observations, or interviews**

may be included as a means of clarifying questions, exemplifying research conclusions, or as a source of new information.
 - 3. The source and limitations**

of each supplementary information should be clearly stated.
 - 4. An evaluation of the quality**

or adequacy of the related sources may also be included.

5. **This evaluation may relate to individual works,**
or to characteristics of several investigations available on a specific topic.

B. Organization of Your Review

Refer to pg 122-125 in the Rodrigues book for this section. You need to review your research and organize a subject/subtopic outline that can be used to organize your information. This should be in a sequence that is similar to the overall sequence of ideas explained in the introduction. It may be based upon your research questions.

1. Subtopic 1

Use these subtopics to categorize your research. As you find information that addresses a subtopic, include it along with the number of the reference in the References section. This will make it easier for making reference to the source later when you are writing your paper.

2. Subtopic 2

3. Subtopic 3

4. Subtopic 4

5. Subtopic (ad nauseum)

- C. **This review is a result of a search for the information which will provide the most useful answers available for your research questions.**

VI. Conclusions and Recommendations

This section will be completed after you have completed your research. You should include a couple of the conclusions that you have already

- A. **Identify and synthesize findings from the analysis as the conclusion of the review.**

Recommendations for
future research, classroom applications, educational policies and procedures,
program revision, or other
warranted situations should be presented.

B. Statistical Analysis

VII. References

A. Reference List

1. **List the bibliographic information for each reference. You will use the preceding number to refer to each reference as you do your research.**
2. Morrison, E. (2003) Facilitating and understanding autonomy in adult learners. *New Horizons in Adult Education*. 17(2). 21-26.

VIII. Appendices

- A. Identify additional materials that you would like to include in your paper as you find (or think about) them. You DON'T have to have an appendix in your paper. It's just nice to know that it's here if you need it.