

Your Research Toolbox Exercise

What Did I Learn?

Student Name _____

Instructor Name _____

1. The best source for background information is:
 - A. Newspapers
 - B. Scholarly articles
 - C. Encyclopedias
 - D. Census data
2. A record for an article in a periodicals database will provide the following information:
 - A. The title of the article
 - B. The date of publication
 - C. The name of the periodical in which the article appears
 - D. The author's name
 - E. All of the above
3. What are features of a scholarly journal? (Choose two)
 - A. Articles are written to entertain, inform or persuade
 - B. Articles have bibliographies
 - C. Articles are lengthy
 - D. Articles have lots of photographs
4. The InfoKat catalog record tells you:
 - A. The location of the item
 - B. If the item is on a bestseller list
 - C. If an item is available for checkout
 - D. The subjects assigned to the item
5. The best way to reduce a high number of search results is by:
 - A. Limiting to just the first page of results
 - B. Adding more search terms
 - C. Looking in a more specialized journal
 - D. Limiting you research to only one campus library

6. What are features of a popular magazine? (Choose two)
 - A. Written by journalists or reporters
 - B. Have footnotes or bibliographies
 - C. Written to inform, to persuade, or to entertain
 - D. Generally available only by subscription

7. You need a book. To find out if UK Libraries has the book you should:
 - A. Google it
 - B. Search InfoKat
 - C. Walk around the library and look for it on the shelves
 - D. Ask your instructor if the library has the book

8. Your instructor has asked you to write a paper based on scholarly information. What would be the most appropriate sources to use? Choose two.
 - A. Journals
 - B. Newspapers
 - C. Email
 - D. Magazines
 - E. Books

9. Which of the following are steps you should take before you begin your research?
 - A. Write your topic in the form of a question
 - B. Identify keywords and phrases
 - C. Brainstorm synonyms and related terms
 - D. Check a subject encyclopedia for useful words and concepts
 - E. All of the above

10. Which of the following is NOT a periodical?
 - A. Magazine
 - B. Book
 - C. Newspaper
 - D. Journal