

## Library iPad activity

**DIRECTIONS:** Read the scenario, scan the QR code, and answer the questions

You are an exercise science major and you have a mid-term essay due in two weeks. You've chosen to write about how **exercise and its effects on your DNA**. The assignment requires you to find at least 2 peer-reviewed articles (also known as scholarly articles).



Use "scan" app

You find the article (above) by searching google but the full-text is not available freely online. You know the library has this journal in print and so you head over to the periodicals section. You find the publication by the title (**Time Magazine**), then by month and year (**March 26, 2012**, Vol. 179, Issue 12), and then you flip to the first page of the article (7).

**Answer these questions once you browse through the article and the publication itself.**

Does this article have an abstract or a summary before the main content?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is there a serious look to this article/publication?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is there information about the author? Affiliations, educational background, expertise, etc.?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does this article have a list of references?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does this article report on original research or experimentation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
This article is a...	<input type="checkbox"/> Primary resource <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary resource
This is a... Why?	<input type="checkbox"/> Peer-reviewed article <input type="checkbox"/> Popular magazine article

Oops, looks like the first article is not what your professor is asking you to find because it is not a peer-reviewed article



You heard from a friend that using the library's WorldCat Local database, you could specify that you only want peer-reviewed articles. You find the article above by searching WorldCat Local and limiting it to peer-reviewed articles only. Alessio, H. M., & Cutler, R. G. (April 01, 1990). 751 EVIDENCE THAT DNA DAMAGE-AND-REPAIR CYCLE ACTIVITY INCREASES FOLLOWING A MARATHON RACE. *Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise*, 22, 2.)

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So now you have one article but the assignment requires two articles. You go back to WorldCat Local and **find another peer-reviewed article on the topic of the benefits of yoga.**

**Answer these questions after you find your second article.**

What words did you use to find the article? Was it a keyword search, a subject search, or other type of search? Did you use any limiters such as peer-reviewed, date, etc.?

Why is this article the most relevant article you retrieved?

Provide an APA citation for your article:

## Discussion:

1. First part was about peer-reviewed v. popular.
  - a. Differences between the two
  - b. What does peer-reviewed mean?
  - c. Why find and use peer-reviewed articles in your papers?
2. Would a peer-reviewed article be a primary or secondary source?
  - a. What does primary mean?
  - b. What does secondary mean?
3. Won't have ipads when do research but the website and the databases are the same as what saw on ipad.
4. WorldCat Local (definition)
  - a. Demo (point out peer-reviewed and other limiters)
  - b. Demo how to find full-text
5. Research guides
6. How to get help