

WORKSHEET: POPULAR, TRADE, OR SCHOLARLY?

Review at least 3 of the articles listed at this webpage:

<http://www.lib.washington.edu/subject/geography/pubtypes/popschol.html>

Answer the following questions about each article and write down your assessment of the article as SCHOLARLY or POPULAR/TRADE.

Bancroft, Marjory A. 2003. "Beyond the language barrier: what managers should know about laws that govern language assistance for immigrants in publicly-funded programs and how to meet these service delivery challenges." <i>The Public Manager</i> , 32 (2) : 6-9.	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly	List at least 2 reasons for your choice:
Frey, William H. 1998. "The diversity myth." <i>American Demographics</i> . 20 (6): 38-43.	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly	List at least 2 reasons for your choice:
Frey, William H. 1996. "Immigration, domestic migration, and demographic Balkanization in America: new evidence for the 1990s." <i>Population and Development Review</i> . 22 (4) : 741-763.	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly	List at least 2 reasons for your choice:
Mollica, Richard, & McDonald, Laura. 2002. "Refugees and mental health." <i>UN Chronicle</i> , 39 (2) : 29-30.	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly	List at least 2 reasons for your choice:
Chung, Rita Chi-Ying, & Bemak, Fred. 2002. "Revisiting the California Southeast Asian mental health needs assessment data: an examination of refugee ethnic and gender differences." <i>Journal of Counseling and Development</i> . 80 (1) : 111-119.	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly	List at least 2 reasons for your choice:
Young, Marta Y. 2001. "Moderators of stress in Salvadoran refugees: The role of social and personal resources." <i>The International Migration Review</i> . 35 (3) : 840- 869.	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly	List at least 2 reasons for your choice:
Lipman, Zada. 2002. "A dirty dilemma: the hazardous waste trade." <i>Harvard International Review</i> , 23 (4) : 67-71.	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly	List at least 2 reasons for your choice:
EXTRA CREDIT: Frey, William H. 2003. "Metropolitan Magnets for International and Domestic Migrants." Washington DC: Brookings Institution Center on Urban & Metropolitan Policy. Brookings Census 2000 Series.	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly	List at least 2 reasons for your choice:

**POPULAR, TRADE, OR SCHOLARLY:
Consider these characteristics**

The most important thing that distinguishes scholarly articles is that they have been through a **peer-review** editorial process prior to publication. However, it is rare that an article will be labeled or marked as having been peer-reviewed. Therefore, the following questions can help you analyze the characteristics of the article to help you determine whether or not it is scholarly.

- A. Who is likely to read this publication? Consider the following clues:
 - a. How would you characterize the language used in the article? Is it easy to understand or specialized terminology and jargon?
 - b. What role do the illustrations play in this article?
 - c. What types of products are advertised in this publication? What does that indicate about who is likely to be reading this publication?

- B. Who writes for this publication? Consider the following clues:
 - a. What qualifications or expertise do they bring to the subject matter?
 - b. Does this author write often on this topic? Or is this topic unusual among this author's published work?

- C. How often is this publication issued?
 - a. Daily, Weekly or Monthly (it is difficult to produce peer-reviewed publications in this timeframe)
 - b. Quarterly, Semi-annually (more typical of scholarly publications due to the peer-review process)

- D. The length of the article
 - a. Scholarly articles tend to be longer than a few pages

- E. Does the format of the article provide any clues?
 - a. Footnotes and/or Bibliography
 - b. Sections labeled *Literature Review*, *Methodology*, *Results*, *Discussion*, etc.
 - c. Types of illustrations and how they relate to the text of the article
 - d. Is there a statement about the editorial review process with dates?

- F. What kind of information does this article/publication provide you about your topic?
 - a. A broad overview of a complex topic?
 - b. A popular perspective on an issue?
 - c. An opinionated or strongly biased view of the topic?
 - d. Original research results and analysis?
 - e. A review of the relevant research in this area?