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Scholarly Literature Wanted!

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Google

- Commercial search engine
- None scholarly literature
- Perfect for:
    - Personal information
    - News
    - Organizations' sites

Google Scholar

- Scholarly literature
- Finds also predatory journals
- Through VPN, full-text is available

Important! Source evaluation

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Source evaluation - CRAAP

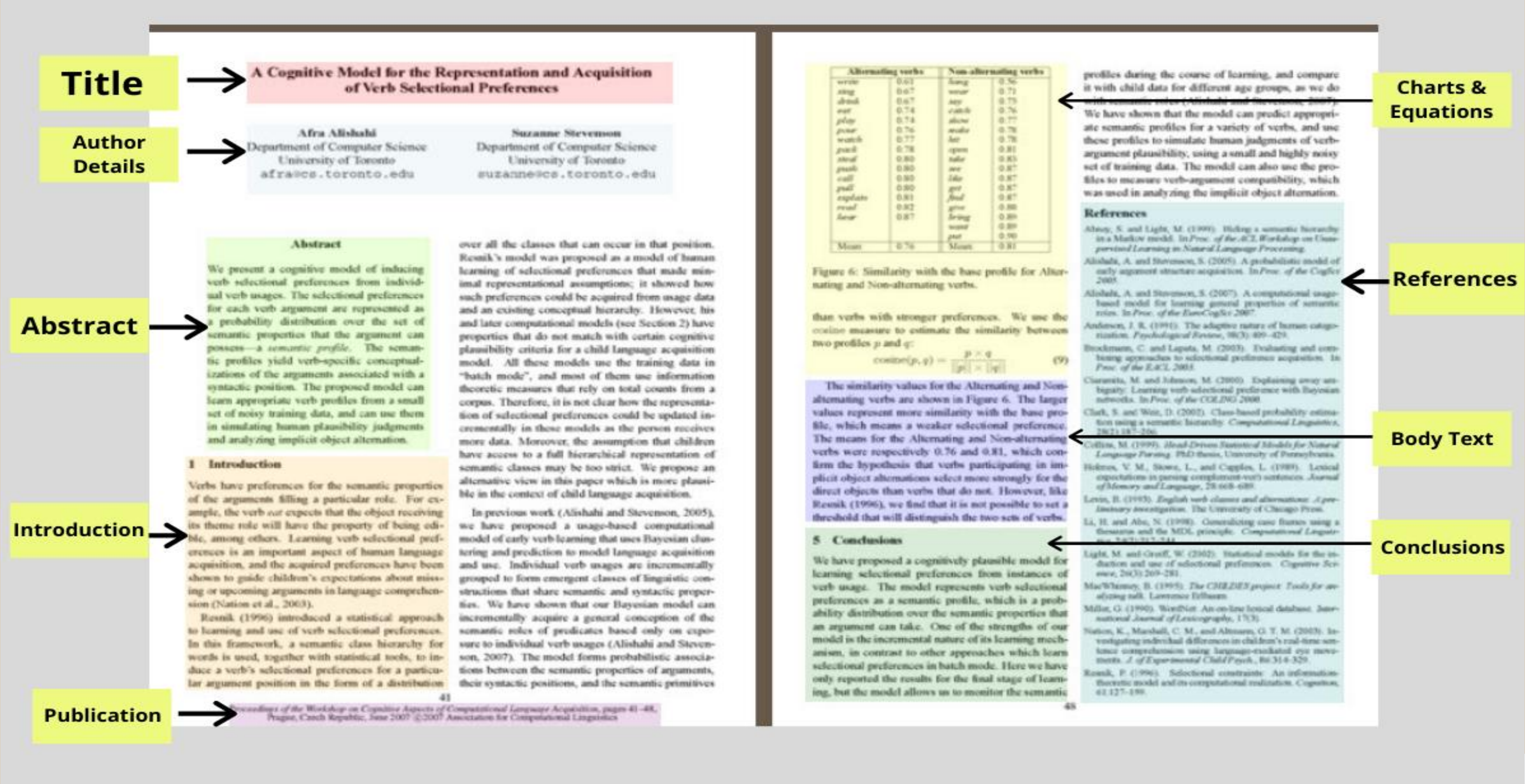
- author’s affiliation
- the date of the article
- the style of the text
- relevancy (whether the document is relevant to your research)
- purpose of the text, etc.

C	Currency: *The timeliness of the information.* • When was the information published or posted? Revised or updated? • Does your topic require current information, or will older sources work as well?
R	Relevance: *The importance of the information for your needs.* • Does the information relate to your topic or answer your question? • Who is the intended audience? / an appropriate level?
A	Authority: *The source of the information.* • Who is the author/publisher/source/sponsor? • What are the author's credentials or organizational affiliations? • Is the author qualified to write on the topic? / contact information?
A	Accuracy: *The reliability, truthfulness and correctness of the content.* • Where does the information come from? / supported by evidence? • Has the information been reviewed or refereed? • Does the language or tone seem unbiased and free of emotion?
P	Purpose: *The reason the information exists.* • What is the purpose of the information? Is it to inform, teach, sell, entertain or persuade? • Does the point of view appear objective and impartial? • Are there political, religious, institutional or personal biases?

Source: https://academic-englishuk.com/evaluating-sources/

Source: https://www.emaze.com/@AIFFRRWC/C.R.A.A.P.-Test-for-Evaluating-Websites

Signs of a scholarly article



https://typeset.io/resources/the-a-z-guide-on-scholarly-sources/

Library databases vs. Search engines

- Scholarly journal articles
- Popular magazine articles, newspaper articles
- Reference book articles (e.g., directories, encyclopedias)
- Books
- No sponsors or ads

- Few free scholarly journal articles, popular magazine articles, and books.
- Popular web sites (e.g., Wikipedia, Facebook)
- Commercial web sites (e.g., eBay, Amazon)
- Current news & information
- Many sponsors and ads

Use it

- for college level research
- to find credible information quickly

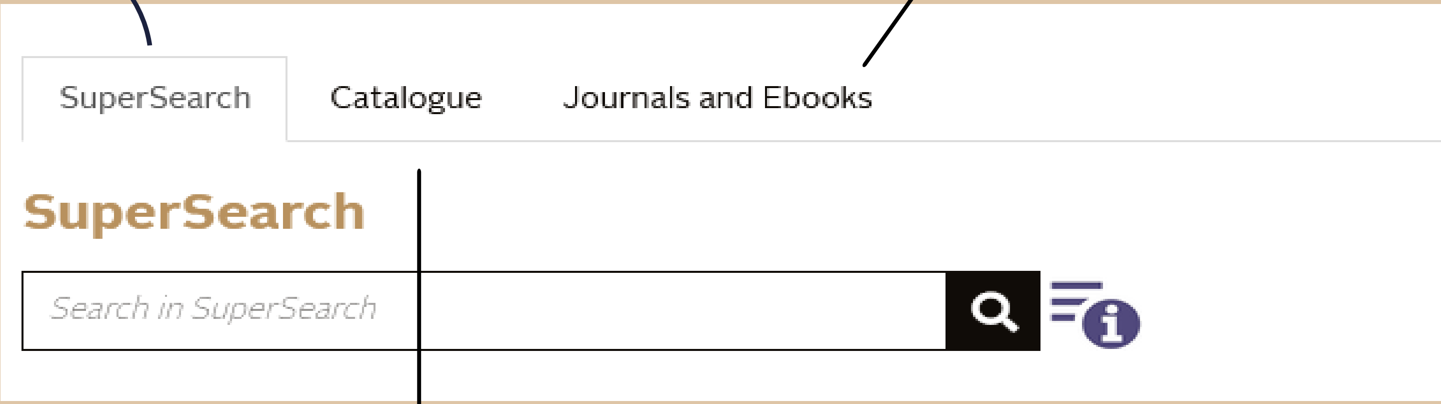
- for personal information needs
- if you have time for evaluate information

For more info check: https://jefferson.kctcs.libguides.com/ld.php?content_id=7791505

Where to look for what? - Library sources

Journals and ebooks

For topic search



+Databases

+Repositories

Mainly printed books + e-links

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