

Literature Reviews: 3 Approaches | How To Write An Essay

Literature Reviews so sometimes yes you are asked to conduct a literature review as a part of your assignments it's an section that normally goes above your main area your main discussion and it features a review of the literature in the area you're covering now if your entire assignments is just to do a literature review then this video might not be for you but I will look at doing a series on how to write a literature review. For this video we're assuming that you've been asked to conduct a literature review as part of your essay this section it is just purely for reviewing literature it's not something you would get into making points about your essay on getting too deep into details you will do some evaluating you will do some analysis but of the sources you use and not how that relates to your [academic essay writing service](#) question or the message or what is you're doing on your assignments.

A lot of people have trouble with how to go about a literature review usually because there's a lot of literature out there and what's the best way to approach it now I've done three literature reviews and I've used three different methods so the first ever literature review I did was on children in care and I read all the literature and what I found was there were a lot of themes there was what is happening within school and so what was happening after school what qualifications they left with and that's exactly what my assignment at the time was looking for what happens in school and what happens after so that's how I went about it it's called a 'Thematic Approach' to literature reviews and that's how I went about my literature I looked at literature that covered both those themes all these key literature that covered and I reviewed them but for my dissertation I looked at how children are grouped in schools and for that it was all based around policy and how policies changed over the years so naturally I did what I think's called a koala school a koala a chronological order literature review where you start formed the oldest pieces of literature which were me was a lot of policy an legislation research in the 60s and I went to the present date and then my third literature review was for my master's research I was looking at the two different ways of grouping children in two different schools I actually did a bit of both for this literature review it was actually a lot of people refer to as the funnel method I think where if you imagine a funnel and at the top you starting really broad you're looking at I was looking at the grouping in general how we group children but then the research got narrower and narrower to research that was just in individual classrooms but that's what my research was I was just looking at a classroom in it by itself so I started at research that covered the topic generally but then I narrowed it down to research similar to mine we were just doing it on the classroom basis that's good a funnel because you are you taking all the broad research just to begin with but then you are filtering it following it down into research just for your area. they're the three methods of how to go about a literature review if you want to see more detail just ask me in the comments I might be doing one anyway as mentioned in another series but this in generally is how you go about literature review you are reviewing the sources that you use you are not going as far to discuss it as part of your essay or to bring out any conclusions or evaluations to supports to support the ideas that you have that's for later that's for discussion which is also our next video so keep watching to get the most out of your essay.