

Peer Review

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So you want to publish an article?

- Did you unearth the remains of an unknown species of dinosaur? Figure out the algorithm to hit the Powerball every time? Chances are you'll want to share these findings with the people in your field of research! (maybe not the lottery scam)
- To do so, you'll want to write and publish an article in an Academic or Industry journal! But before you become the next Einstein, you'll need to make sure your reporting is correct and professional enough.

Publishing an article: STEP 1

- The first thing you'll want to do is write up a draft article. Do your best, and then submit it to an editor from your desired Academic or trade journal.
- The editor will then deem your draft paper fit or unfit for their respected journal.

Publishing an article: Step 2

- In the event that your findings or research is relevant, the editor will submit your draft article to a group of industry or field experts who will sort through it with a fine tooth comb. This important process is called Peer Review.
- Peer Reviewers, sometimes called Referees, will ask key questions to determine your draft article's relevance, value, originality and figure out if it is interesting.

Publishing an article: Step 3

- The peer reviewers will either approve or reject your article, in the event that it is approved, they will often suggest revisions you should make before it is published.
- The final say in accepting the article for publication is made by the editor. If they like it, congratulations! You have just published an article in a well respected academic or industry journal. If Denied, don't be discouraged. Some journals reject over 90% of articles submitted to them.
- Good luck in your research and publication efforts!