

## Parts of a report.

All experimental reports follow a standard pattern, so we do not need to use much space. Pages are as follows: **Everything Double Spaced**

Page one:

### Title Page contains:

- ☞ **1<sup>st</sup> Running head:** Flush to the right no more than 50 characters.
- ☞ **2<sup>nd</sup> Title:** (centered) No more than 10-12 words
- ☞ **3<sup>rd</sup> Author(s):** (centered)
- ☞ **4<sup>th</sup> Affiliations(s):** (centered) school/organization where research is being done. Merced College
- ☞ **Page Headers:** First two words of the title: printed in the upper right hand corner of each page just to the left of the page number. (Pepsi Flop 1)

Page two:

### Abstract Page:

a condensed version of the complete report, maximum word is 120.

Page three:

### Body of report:

- ☞ **1<sup>st</sup> Introduction:** start broad work narrow, sell the paper.
  - ◆◆ **Background:** describe current body of knowledge
  - ◆◆ **Literature review:** list relevant literature you have researched
  - ◆◆ **Statement of purpose:** Hypothesis, predict relationship between IV & DV
- ☞ **2<sup>nd</sup> Method:** great details on how the study was conducted. Replication important
  - ◆◆ **Participants:** who are the participants (students, pilots, men, women, animals)
  - ◆◆ **Apparatus/materials:** equipment or materials you used
  - ◆◆ **Procedure:** specify exactly how you collected data; consent forms
- ☞ **3<sup>rd</sup> Results:** Use the result section for stating only what you found nothing more.
  - ◆◆ **Verbal statement of results:**
  - ◆◆ **References tables and figures:**
  - ◆◆ **Descriptive and inferential statistics:**
- ☞ **4<sup>th</sup> Discussion:** used to describe why you think you found what you found. updating body of knowledge
  - ◆◆ **Relationship between stated purpose and results:**. place for qualifying your results
  - ◆◆ **Theoretical or methodological contribution:** Briefly review the theories in the introduction
  - ◆◆ **Future directions for research:**

Remaining pages :

### References:

### Author notes (if any):

### Footnotes (if any):

### Tables:

### Figure captions:

### Figures: