AN ANALYSIS OF INTRODUCTORY PARTS OF SOME PUBLISHED ARTICLES

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ABSTRACT

This paper analyzes introductory sections of selected academic articles published in some reputable journals within the framework of 'create-a-research-space' (or CARS) model. The purpose is to examine how and whether such sections of the papers follow the pattern outlines in the CARS model. This model represents the current thinking on writing a good introduction in an academic paper. The 'data' were collected through random selection of some articles published in three selected journals. Content analysis procedure was employed in the analysis of the data. Findings reveal that the introductions studied remarkably display and manifest all the three moves proposed by the model.

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