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# THE SEVEN PILLARS OF INFORMATION LITERACY



HANDOUT  
STUDY SKILLS

This is a tool to check where you are at with finding and using academic sources such as books and journal articles.

## **IDENTIFY: able to identify a personal need for information**

- Knowing what you need to find out
- Investigate what you need to know

## **SCOPE: can assess current knowledge and identify gaps**

- Know what types of info are available to best answer your question

## **PLAN: can construct strategies for locating information and data**

- Plan which tools and techniques are appropriate
- Choose and keep up to date key words that you are searching for literature about

## **GATHER: can locate and access the information and data they need**

- Where to find data - online and in print
- Create searches to find data

## **EVALUATE: can review the research process and compare and evaluate information and data**

- Read different resources
- Identify the key arguments and points, accuracy, bias, credibility etc. between resources.

## **MANAGE: can organise information professionally and ethically**

- Understand copyright, plagiarism, intellectual property.
- Create and use Harvard referencing

## **PRESENT: can apply the knowledge gained: presenting the results of their research, synthesising new and old information and data to create new knowledge and disseminating it in a variety of ways**

- Understanding the writing styles required

### **RESOURCES**

The SCONUL Seven Pillars of Information Literacy

Available at <https://www.sconul.ac.uk/sites/default/files/documents/coremodel.pdf>

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**TASK:**

1. Review what each of these pillars represents in understanding information literacy
2. Mark in the bottom sections of each column where you think you are in your learning journey by listing the skills you feel confident using.
3. Mark in the top sections of each column the skills you need to work on next.
4. Where are you on your learning journey? How far along each column do you feel you are?