

CM220 GLOSSARY

Academic Source: In-depth research articles using specialized language for a specific field; also known as, Scholarly Source

Interview: Considered a primary source, where the writer gathers information by asking specific questions of a person related to topic the writer is researching

Peer-Reviewed Source: An article reviewed and approved by experts in that specific field prior to publication

Periodical: A classification of publication to include newspapers, magazines, and journals

Primary Source: A source that reflects a first-hand account of an experiment or experiences of the author

Reliable Source: A source that provides verifiable and credible information, often requiring the author be an expert on the topic and/or cite other reliable research in support

Secondary Source: A source that interprets information gained through other sources, which are cited in the text of the writing

Unreliable Source: Problematic sources that are vague about the date of publication, author's qualifications, and/or supporting research