

# This is a Snappy 108 pt Title: Useful Poster-Making Tips



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### Abstract

Your abstract is a brief synopsis of your project. If you decide to include an abstract, it should

- ▶Be clear and concise
- >Provide a brief summary of the research question, method, and findings

#### Methods Other? Materials? Describe the experiment using See Figure 1. bullets, diagrams, and/or Be consistent with color Design? Procedure? Participants?

# **Pictures and Graphics**

Use high resolution pictures and graphics.

This is the low-res original



Figure 1. Three blurry guys. (Don't forget the figure caption. You can use it to help describe the picture.

## Introduction/Rationale

Your introduction should include: ← And 36 pt. text

- >A little background describing the issue: >Why the issue is important
  - >What work has been done
- >The theory or theories relevant to the study
- ➤ The experimental hypothesis or hypotheses

People should be able to read your poster from 4 or 5 feet away.

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Do not use .jpg format.



### **Fonts and Font Effects**

Use the same font style, size, and colors. Even a slight change in size is noticeable.

Good fonts Times New Roman Arial

**Bad fonts** Clarendon Condensed Brush Script

USE NORMAL TEXT BECAUSE TEXT IN ALL CAPS REQUIRES MORE TIME AND IS HARDER TO READ

Italics, Underline, and Bold show up well.

Shadow and Emboss do not

#### Table 1. Use Tables for Means and Correlations

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Training	.437**	.527**	.851***	
Note. * p < .05, ** p < .01, ** p < .001				

Be consistent in formatting. This isn't.

## Charts & Figures

Use charts and figures to present results.

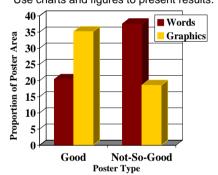


Figure 2. Poster goodness as a function of text versus graphics. ← be careful about positioning

### **Color and Backgrounds**

Choose high contrast background and text. Use a background that doesn't interfere with your text and graphics.



This combination is easy to read

Use a few colors consistently. This poster uses these colors:



The template used as the basis for this poster can be found at: http://www. Blibbityberp, J. P. (2007). This is an example of an APA style reference. Journal of Proper APA Style, 1, 1-112.

# Results

Report the main research results.

Use tables, figures, and charts to quickly and clearly display your findings (see Table 1 & Figure 2).

A little description/summary around each might be better than an intact results section.

Don't be wordy. Remember, you'll be there.

## Discussion

This section of your poster should include the take home message(s). You should explain which of your research hypotheses were supported and which were not. This is also the section where you would discuss the limitations and implications of your work. Be concise, too much text is boring.

Compare the above paragraph to the following:

This section of your poster should include:

- >The take home message(s)
- >Which hypotheses were supported
- >Limitations and Implications of the study

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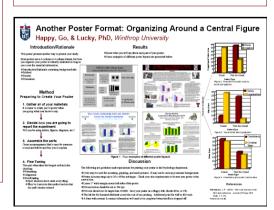


Figure 3. An alternate poster layout.