**ACTION Research Paper Template**

**Cover page**

**Abstract**

No more than 250 words about the purpose and results of your study.

**Table of Contents**

A simple table of contents matching the elements of the five (5) chapters of the Action Research Project (Introduction, Literature Review, Methodology, Results, and Discussion) will appear after the abstract. Note: Each page must be numbered (including the first page and the Abstract)

**Introduction**

Include your area of focus statement here. This is where you introduce your topic and put your statement of the problem. Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009) provide you with a checklist for this section entitled “Reflection” (p.178)

**Literature Review**

Write your literature review to establish the importance of your area of interest and to briefly describe other related research on your topic. Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009) provide you with a checklist for this section entitled “Literature Review” (p.178)

**Research Questions**

First, note that your research questions heading is flush with the left margin, bold, and title cased (capital letters). If you decide on other sub-headings, use this format under your major headings which are centered, bold, and title cased. Your research question and sub-questions appear at the end of your literature review because you have arrived at your final questions after reviewing the literature. Please see the Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009) section entitled “Purpose” (p.178) for additional consideration for this section.

**Methodology**

**Participants**

Review and edit the section on collaboration. Explain who you actually collaborated with and what the collaborators’ roles in the study were. Describe the number and type of students who participated in your project and why/how you chose them. What makes this sample a good set of people to study to answer your question? Be sure to go down the checklist and include items from the section entitled “Setting/Participants/Collaboration” you chose from Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009).

**Intervention/Innovation**

What, exactly, was the intervention/innovation you did in your educational setting? Is your explanation clear enough so that someone else could try it? Please see the Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009) section entitled “Intervention/Innovation” (p.178) for additional considerations for this section.

**Data Collection**

Describe your data collection strategy here. How did you collect your information? How did you account for trustworthiness and validity in your research? Please see the Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009) sections entitled “Methods of Data Collecting” (p.178) and “Plan for Increasing Validity” (p.179) for additional consideration for this section. You may edit your work from Assignment 1 and include it here.

**Results**

What are the results of your study? Describe the data that you collected in full. Please see the Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009) section entitled “Results of the Study” (p.179) for additional consideration for this section. You may edit your work from Assignment 2 and include it here.

**Discussion**

What does the data tell you about your research question (s)? Was your intervention/innovation effective? Make a good argument for why it was/wasn’t effective using your results. Go back and compare your results to your literature review to see how your results fit in with what others are saying/doing about similar issues. Finally, discuss any implications this study may have on your future work. Please see the Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009) section entitled “Conclusions” (p.179) for additional considerations for this section. You may edit your work from Assignment 3 and include it here.

**References**

Put every work you made reference to in your proposal here using the correct APA format. There are several programs that can help you correctly format your reference page, including an easy one in Microsoft Word under the references tab. A quick Internet search can give you instructions.

**Appendices**

Include any appendices here, labeled Appendix A, Appendix B, etc.

***Be sure to change the tense from the future tense (I will include…) to the present (I include…) or simple past (I included…). The key is to be consistent.***

***Finally, please review the Dana and Yendol-Hoppey (2009) section entitled “General” (p.179) for additional considerations for the write up of your Action Research Presentation.***