**Assessing a Research Study**

Review the study components in the left-side column of the form below. Refer to the study you chose, and complete the data in the right-side column with the key components in that study.

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| **Research Question:** |  |
| **How did the research question emerge from the review of literature in the article?** |  |
| **Independent Variables****Type:** |  |
| **Dependent Variables****Type:** |  |
| **Identify and Define the Study Design Elements:****1. Quantitative vs. Qualitative:** **2. Sample Size****3. Method of sample selection: Explanation.****4. Identify and define the experimental and control groups?****5. Reliable and valid data instruments? Explain.** |  |
| **Describe analysis.****What statistics were used?** |  |
| **Did the researchers’ conclusions make sense, did they answer the research question, and did they appear to flow from the review of the literature?****Did they explore control of extraneous variables?** |  |