Five Article Critique & Synthesis
Elements

• **Topic, Author, and Author’s Background**
• **Problem Statement or Research Problem**
• **Approach or Research Methods**
• **Types of Data and Data Sources**
• **Data Collection Strategy and/or Instrument**
• **Data Analysis Approach**
• **Findings / Results / Outcomes**
• **Implications of the Research / Study / Evaluation**
• **Citation (APA 6th Edition)**
Write a critique of your article collection by addressing points A to E below. Make sure you include an introduction and a conclusion in your write up. Writing and file naming protocols apply.

A. Similarities ~ Write a paragraph or two on how similar are your 10 articles. It could be that 1-2 of your articles are similar because they are addressing the same problems, focusing on the same population, etc.

B. Differences ~ Write a paragraph or two on how different are your articles. It could be that 1-2 of your articles are different because they are addressing the dissimilar problems, focusing on varied population, etc.
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C. Strengths ～ Write a paragraph or two on the strengths of your article collection. What are the good ones that will support the writing of the literature review section of your research plan?

D. Weak Areas ～ Write a paragraph or two on the weak areas of your article collection. What areas need more articles to help you better understand your research plan?

E. Take Aways ～ Write a paragraph or two about the things you learned about your topic from your article collection, about this process of becoming knowledgeable about a research topic.