## Types of Periodicals:

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| **Academic Journals** | *Articles written by experts in the field; author(s) always identified*  
*Purpose is scholarly communication within academic discipline*  
*Journal is specific to an academic discipline*  
*Articles usually undergo the peer-review process*  
*Articles always contain bibliographies/citations/footnotes* |
| **Trade Publications/Journals** | *Written by experts/professionals in a specific trade or industry*  
*Author(s) not always identified*  
*Purpose is to provide information to members of a profession*  
*Can contain advertising targeted to trade or profession.*  
*Articles can be fact, review, opinion, or instructional.*  
*Uses vocabulary specific to trade*  
*Articles generally do not have footnotes/bibliographies* |
| **Magazines**         | *Written by professional writers or reporters employed by the magazine*  
*Written for a broad audience on current, general interest topics*  
*Non-technical, simple language*  
*No bibliographic information*  
*Prominent advertising*  
*Colourful, eye-catching covers* |