

Skills:

Identify lurking and confounded variables.

Interpret statistical significance

Diagram 2 kinds of studies

Regular Controlled Random Experiment

Block

Identify 3 kinds from diagram

Decide when blocking or matching would be good

Decide how to block or match

Design 3 kinds of studies

How many groups?

Clear statement of explanatory and response variables

Criticize a study for:

-Controlling variables badly (control groups, placebo, other)

-Double blind (3 ways)

-Creating unrealistic circumstance (no predictive validity)

Identify refusal, drop-out, non-adherers.

Suggest ways to fix those problems/make a design that avoids them

Control of variables (block, control groups, placebo, subjects, large N)

Not being blind, be blind

Creating unrealistic circumstance - don't