Recall the guidelines presented for writing an effect abstract. A good abstract should…

* Motivate *(why you did it)*
* State the problem *(what you did)*
* Describe the methods used *(how you did it)*
* Highlight the results *(what you found)*
* Discuss implications *(what it means)*

1. Choose **three** of the sample abstracts provided. For each of these three sample abstracts, answer the following questions. *Note that the easier it is to answer these questions, the more effective the abstract.***Abstract #1:**(clearly identify the article you chose up above)

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| Why did the authors address the issue? |  |
| What is the issue? |  |
| How did the authors proceed? |  |
| What is their result? |  |
| What does their result imply? |  |

**Abstract #2:**(clearly identify the article you chose up above)

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| Why did the authors address the issue? |  |
| What is the issue? |  |
| How did the authors proceed? |  |
| What is their result? |  |
| What does their result imply? |  |

**Abstract #3:**(clearly identify the article you chose up above)

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| Why did the authors address the issue? |  |
| What is the issue? |  |
| How did the authors proceed? |  |
| What is their result? |  |
| What does their result imply? |  |

1. Rank the three abstracts you chose in order from best to worst.
2. For the abstract you ranked as best, describe what the author(s) did particularly well.
3. For the abstract you ranked as worst, describe what the author(s) could have done to make it better.