Information source types

Conference paper/proceeding
- Written by academics or researchers to accompany a conference presentation
- Report on new, original research
- May be presented before research is complete
- New, cutting-edge research/information

Trade publication
- Written by and for people working in a particular industry
- Contain industry-specific news & updates
- Articles typically do not contain citations

Journal article
- Written by academics or researchers
- Report on new, original research
- Usually specific & narrow in focus
- Articles typically contain many citations to prior research

Magazine article
- Intended for a general audience
- Usually do not cite sources
- Written by journalists who are probably not experts in subject of the article