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ABSTRACT

This study examines the structural and rhetorical differences in research article conclusions written by novice and experienced student writers using a move-based analysis framework. Employing Yang and Allison's (2003) model, which consists of three moves—summarizing the study, evaluating the study, and deductions from the research—the research identifies patterns in the organization and execution of these moves. The study analyzed 80 research article conclusions, with 40 written by novice writers and 40 by experienced writers, sourced from Scopus-indexed and non-Scopus-indexed journals. The findings reveal that while both groups consistently include Move 1 (Summarizing the Study), novice writers tend to produce basic restatements, whereas experienced writers synthesize their findings with broader academic discourse. Move 2 (Evaluating the Study) highlights significant differences, with novice writers rarely addressing limitations or critically assessing their methodology, while experienced writers engage in reflective discussions. Move 3 (Deductions from the Research) shows that experienced writers are more likely to provide actionable recommendations and pedagogic implications, enhancing the impact of their research. These results suggest that novice writers require further guidance in constructing effective conclusions to meet academic writing conventions. The study's findings contribute to writing instruction by identifying areas where novice writers need support in developing critical and reflective writing skills.

Keywords: academic writing, experienced writers, move-based analysis, novice writers, research article conclusions, rhetorical structure, Yang and Allison's model

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