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- Title must be engaging and brief and of not more than 10 words.
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- Use American English throughout.
- Use an active voice.
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- Use single-spaced text, left justified. Keep six-point paragraph space.
- Use 12-point font times new roman font.
- Margins should be 2.5 cm (1 inch) on all sides.
- Indent the first line of paragraphs by 0.5”.
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