*Abstract*

Basically provide 1 or 2 sentences per section.

Don’t need to use references here.

Present your main results and conclusions.

You can put some numbers or scores in there.

Add a note of caution at the end. Your studies are weak.

*Introduction*

I wasn’t strict on references.

Write out all authors the first time you cite, then use et al (exception is when you have 5 or more authors).

When giving definitions, or talking about what has been found, you need references.

When using tasks other researchers have used, give a reference.

Say why your topic is important.

Start out broad and lead up to your study, but not too broad.

Don’t go back to the history of psychology or the history of ethics in psychology.

Don’t talk about the results.

Pretend it’s written before the study is conducted.

Logically build up to your study.

And describe what you will do in the future tense.

Don’t talk about your study until the end of the intro.

*Methods*

Don’t need to refer to him as an initial. That’s for case studies and observations.

Use “participant.”

Don’t need to describe his appearance.

You can combine materials and procedure unless you have an elaborate stimulus(li).

Use past tense.

Don’t be too pedantic.

Refer to yourselves as experimenters.

Get the details right.

Refer to photos as Figures.

*Results*

Refer to your table right away and talk about your main results first.

Don’t make inferences, but describe the results.

Then get into your more specific results.

Introduce tables and figures right away.

Photos are referred to as images.

Put important photos in the text, or a Figures section…not the Appendix.

Save your hypotheses for the discussion.

*Discussion*

Repeat your findings, start with main findings then more specific findings.

Say what these results mean, or explain why you would get these results.

Compare your results with those of other studies.

Get into strengths and weaknesses.

Relate your findings to those of other researchers.

Provide alternate explanations for your results.

Weaknesses, he was in multiple experiments.

Talk about future studies.

References

You really need more than two or three references.

*Appendices*

Don’t waste your energy here.

*General*

Avoid personal pronouns.

Avoid semi-colons.

Refer to Tables and Figures in order.