What are common practices to avoid when writing literature reviews because they are forms of plagiarism?

According to Gall, Borg, and Gall (1996), the most frequent mistakes in reviewing literature are:

* The literature review does not relate to their study.
* Does not take time to define best descriptors and best resources to use in review literature related to one’s topic.
* Does not use primary sources, use mostly secondary sources.
* Uses another’s research data as valid without validating the research
* Does not report search procedures used in the review of the literature.
* Reports isolated statistical results than synthesizing them by chi-square or meta-analytic methods.
* Does not consider contrary findings and alternative interpretation in synthesizing quantitative literature.

What should be done instead:

* All literature reviews should incorporate literature that is relevent to your study.
* Best descriptors and best resources should be indentified .
* Use primary resources instead of secondary sources.
* Valid all research conducted.
* Synthesize all results using the chi-square or meta-analytic method.
* Consider all research finding in synthesizing your quantitative literature.

References

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