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- □ Use no more than 40 characters—including spaces—in length.
- Accurately and specifically describe the content. Good: "Gulags Under Stalin." Less good: "Gulags."
- Consider how users search. Good: "Che Guevara in Bolivia." Less good: "Building Upon Che Guevara's Bolivia."

□ Specialized fields of study are highly discoverable ("person in environment theory"). These terms have little competition and a lot of traffic.

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*Example*: The title "Messiah with the Microphone? Oral Historians, Technology, and Sound Archives" is not a highly discoverable title because of its length and because of the "Messiah with the Microphone..." A more discoverable title may be "Oral Historians, Technology, and Sound Archives" because users are more likely to search "oral historian technology archive."

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- □ Keywords should be one word where possible, though two- and three-word specialist terms are acceptable where necessary.
- □ Keywords should not be too generalized.
- **□** Each keyword would ideally appear in the accompanying article summary.
- □ Keywords may be drawn from the article title.

#### Sample summaries and keywords

#### Article title: Acoustic Phonetics

*Summary*: Sound waves form the physical link between speaker and hearer. Central to the field of acoustic phonetics are the concepts and techniques of acoustic physics; but acoustic phonetic research also integrates knowledge about how speech signals are produced by a speaker, how they are perceived by a hearer, and how they are structured by the phonology of languages. From the linguist's point of view, acoustic phonetics provides quantitative information on the realization of the sound system of a language, supplementing the data available from auditory phonetics.

Acoustic phonetics is a relative newcomer to the discipline of phonetics. Developments in the 19th century in the field of acoustics laid its theoretical foundations; but it was given its real impetus in the 20th century, by techniques for recording sound and analyzing it electronically. The availability

of computers for digital processing of signals gave it further momentum. Acoustic phonetics has become arguably the most successful branch of phonetics. Its primary data are easy to obtain (unlike, e.g., data on muscle activity in speech production); and advances in acoustic phonetics are often stimulated by the prospect of practical applications in such areas as telecommunications and human/computer interaction through speech.

Keywords: speech signals, sound system, acoustics, phonetics, human/computer interaction

#### Article title: Just Intonation

*Summary:* When pitch can be intoned with a modicum of flexibility, the term "just intonation" refers to the consistent use of harmonic intervals tuned so pure that they do not beat, and of melodic intervals derived from such an arrangement, including more than one size of whole tone. On normal keyboard instruments, however, the term refers to a system of tuning in which some 5ths (often including D–A or else G–D) are left distastefully smaller than pure in order that the other 5ths and most of the 3rds will not beat (it being impossible for all the concords on a normal keyboard instrument to be tuned pure). The defect of such an arrangement can be mitigated by the use of an elaborate keyboard.

Keywords: pitch, harmonic intervals, melodic intervals, tuning

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The preferred style is:

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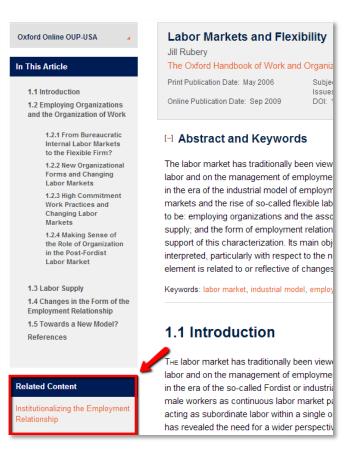
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#### **Style and Spelling**

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Use the Oxford comma: "one, two, and three" (not "one, two and three").

#### Headings

Headings and subheadings should be concise, consistently formatted, and clearly identifiable. This means all first-level headings should be formatted the same way, all second-level headings should be formatted the same way and differently from first-level headings, and so on. Use no more than three levels of headings. Think of headings as keywords for an online search. Headings must not include cross-references or cues to tables, figures, or notes.

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