# Conducting a Literature Review Toolkit- Transcript

Hi, my name is Adam. I'm an academic skills advisor with UniSkills here at Edge hill University.

This toolkit has been designed to support you to complete your own literature review.

Literature reviews are an important part of higher education study, and the skills you'll practice by completing one will support you not just now, but also in future.

Whether you're publishing, research, or evaluating existing knowledge on a topic for an employer. As a student, it might be that you've used literature reviews as sources and other assignments to establish background, context, and what's already known or what's already been argued about a topic.

By completing your own literature review, you will build upon pre-existing information about a topic through literature searching and then demonstrate critical thinking, critical reading, and critical writing skills by analysing and evaluating your selected sources.

No matter what type of literature review you are asked to produce, you will need to make connections between as well as compare and contrast your chosen sources.

A literature review may seem daunting at first. That's a perfectly natural and understandable reaction.

It's a complex piece of work. That's why this toolkit includes clear definitions and breaks down the process of completing your literature review.

Let's get started and take the process step by step.