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Abstract

The authors asked the world's leading economists to describe instances in which journals rejected their articles. More than sixty essays, by a broadly diverse group that includes fifteen Nobel Prize winners, indicate that most have suffered publication rejection, often frequently. Indeed, journals have rejected many papers that later

became classics. The authors discuss the prize-winners' experiences, other notable rejections, and the role of the *Economic Journal* as by John Maynard Keynes when he edited the *Economic Journal*.

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