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This research study was aimed at studying the development of Thai articles on travelling abroad written during 1932 – 1997 in respects of writing purposes, forms, content, writing techniques, and language features. Seventy-two articles were investigated in this study.

The results showed that the purpose of writing the articles from 1932 – 1957 was to give information of each foreign country. From 1958 – 1976, was to give advice in travelling to foreign countries while from 1977-1997 articles were written mainly to fulfil readers' request on reading abroad travel articles.

Thai articles on travelling to foreign countries from 1932 – 1997 were written in forms of narration, letters, diaries, and mixed form.

The content of all articles includes travel routes, information of each foreign country, travel experiences, writers's attitudes toward those countries, though the emphasis on each topic varies.

Writing techniques used were introducing techniques, closing and summarizing techniques, text writing techniques, entitle techniques. The most distinguishable techniques are text writing techniques and entitle techniques.

Various literary styles of language were used in text writing : narrative, descriptive and explanative. Figures of speech used most frequently were similes and allusion and registers were in formal, consultative, and casual levels.