

**ENGLISH _____ RESEARCH PAPER:
ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY ASSIGNMENT**

For (#) _____ provided sources and (#) _____ student-located sources

Use complete, edited sentences in your annotation paragraphs. Attach line-annotated copy of each source used; see teacher if using non-printable media.

Due _____

WHAT IS AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY?

An annotated bibliography is a list of citations to books, articles, and documents. Each citation is followed by a brief (usually about 120-150 words) descriptive and evaluative paragraph, the annotation. The purpose of the annotation is to inform the reader of the relevance, accuracy, and quality of the sources cited.

HOW TO CREATE AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY

FIRST: FORMULATE YOUR RESEARCH QUESTION!

1. Read and line-annotate your source
2. Cite the item in MLA style
3. Write the descriptive ¶ annotation for the source:
 - a. Summarize the central idea, argument, and counterargument of the source. 1-2 sentences
 - b. Evaluate the authority or background of the author/creator/source. 1-2 sentences
 - c. Describe the type of evidence used in the article; explain how you can use this article in your paper. 1-2 sentences

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