**Annotated Bibliography Instructions**

The purpose of this assignment is to allow you to reflect on each of your sources and evaluate the ways you can use each in your context paper and final monologue. Additionally, this assignment should help you think about the ways your sources potentially complement, contradict, clarify, or complicate each other.

If you’ve never written an annotated bibliography before, this will be a useful skill for you to develop, as many different disciplines require the ability to summarize and evaluate sources in an efficient manner. Annotated bibliographies are basically a list of citations—like a Works Cited page—with a few short paragraphs containing information about the source.

***Instructions:***

1. Look over the sources (both primary and secondary) which you identified for your Source Scavenger Hunt, as well as any others you might have found in the interim. Select the ones you think you are most likely to use in your context paper and final monologue. Remember, you will need to use AT LEAST four primary sources and two secondary sources for this project.
2. Using your sources, create a list of citations as though you were creating a Works Cited page in MLA format. The title of the page, however, will NOT be “Works Cited.” Title the page “[Topic of Your Project]: An Annotated Bibliography.” If you need help determining how to format your citations, please look at the MLA style guide on the Purdue Online Writing Lab website. Don’t forget to alphabetize your citations.
3. Underneath each citation, you will write three short paragraphs. The first paragraph will briefly summarize the source. The second paragraph will evaluate the source. (How reliable is it? Are there limitations to the source? What is the tone or perspective like?) The third paragraph will briefly describe how this source is related to your research. The annotation for each source (all three paragraphs combined) should only be about 150 words long. To put that into context: 150 words is about the number of words contained in steps #1, #2, and the first two sentences of step #3. You can do this.

***Assessment:***

This assignment will be graded out of 75 points, and will be worth one grade in the Essay/Projects category. I’ll be looking for whether you have identified all of your sources, whether your sources meet the requirements of the assignments as described in the assignment handout, and whether your citations follow the correct formatting. Your grade will also be based on the quality of your summary and observations. You should demonstrate that you have spent time with the source, that you have a good sense of how this source furthers your research.

**You will need to submit a hard copy AND turn in a digital copy to** [**gelrick@nchsmagnet.com**](mailto:gelrick@nchsmagnet.com) **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**