English 1301

# Modified Annotated Working Bibliography

## Due: Sat, Nov 20, by 10pm. Graded Assn. (rev: Sun, Nov 21, by 10pm)

Submit a **Modified Annotated Working Bibliograph**y for your approved research project. It is "modified" in that it only includes 5 entries, and there is a particular form and format for the annotations. Approved means you have turned in your Proposal and you have the official OK from the instructor. (**Note**: Although your project may have been approved, the questions you pose on the Research Proposal Form probably can be more focused, specific, informed (once you start reading some of your sources! That is, the questions may change a bit as you research.)

**5 entries** in correct MLA style and using the annotation style indicated below. Ideally, each of the entries should be a different kind of source, e.g., book chapter, scholarly article from a database or scholarly journal et al.

### Your Modified Annotated Bibliography must conform to the following:

A. **Five (5) different scholarly, secondary sources** (or what will count as such for this project. If not sure, ask the instructor asap about what you have in mind to use)

B. **Correct MLA style using the latest edition** of the MLA (see the Course Guide created by the library for the course, or go to Purdue Owl, or go to The Write Place or consult **The Seagull Handbook, pg. 150 -92;** 192-200 sample paper. . Do not merely guess how it should look! Do not depend on a website to format it for you unless you then check that it is done correctly.

Sources are arranged in alphabetical order by the author's last name. Don't forget to use hanging indents!

C. Format for the annotations: about 8-12 sentences.

- What is the author's thesis or main claim or point?
- How is this thesis supported in the source?
- What is a main strength and weakness of the source? How so?
- How might you use this source in your research?

D. To view a model of an annotated working bibliography, go to Purdue Owl, The Write Place, or google. However, whatever you see there, as the writer you must follow the requirements of your reader/audience (that is, what is required for our class). **That is, you should double space the MLA citation but single-space the annotations for the three entries. Also,** double-space between the entries.

**PROOFREAD ALOUD** your document more than once before turning it in at the beginning of class. Best is to take it to TWP if possible and proofread it there with a writing consultant.

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Egan, Leo. "Talk is Now Turning to the Dewey Cabinet." *The New York Times*, 20 Oct. 1948,

p, 8E, www.nytimes.com/timesmachine/1948/10/26/issue.html. Accessed 18 April 2019.

The annotation goes here and is single-spaced. Follow the model at C above for the precise information (4 kinds) that is to be in each annotation. All of this can be done in about **8 to 12 sentences** but use as many as you need to be comprehensive and clear. Don't go overboard. Your goal is just to give your reader a fair understanding of what the source is, and why you might use it, and why you might. Use it in your research paper.

McCullough, David. *Truman*. Simon and Schuster, 1992.

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**Note**: The citation is double-spaced, but the annotation itself is single-spaced. Do not number the citations. Just put them in alphabetical order by author's last name, as you see above.