# Annotated Bibliography Assignment

(This assignment can be deployed with the academic journal and CRAAP testing materials. Topics can easily be changed if the instructor desires.)

Create an Annotated Bibliography of at least 1,400 words total for 7 sources. You will use these sources to answer some or all of the questions you posed at the end of your Initial Research Findings paper, to understand the discussion surrounding your subtopic, and to find data to help you make informed comments about the problem and/or potential solutions in the final paper of the semester.

Annotated Bibliography’s AUDIENCE: Instructor only (me)

Annotated Bibliography’s PURPOSE: Show me the credible sources you have found to use in the final paper. Show that you understand their contents and have given thought to their use.

**You will need a mixture of Informational/News sources, Op-eds/Opinionated articles, and Academic Journal articles.**

**You must include at least 2 Academic/peer reviewed journal articles.**

Keep in mind as you search the library and Internet that you should:

* Always CRAAP test sources to ensure credibility.
* Look for sources that offer **Information** to help you explain an important facet of the subtopic to your readers
* Consider what **solutions** to the problem **Opinionated** or **Informational** sources might pose.
* Look for Academic Journal articles that offer **data** to help you better understand the problem, its solutions, and draw conclusions about what approaches to the problem are the most effective.

Title the page “Annotated Bibliography" and include your subtopic as a title below that.

Each source should have a citation and annotation composed of the following components:

1) Correct MLA or APA citation of source

2) Classification of source: Specify whether this is an informational source, an opinionated source, or an Academic/peer reviewed journal (these are High level informational sources.)

3) Note on authority: Explain what makes the author and/or periodical credible.

4) Summary of source: Provide a summary of the source’s information. (This could be relevant facts from Informational articles including Academic Journal articles OR arguments and reasoning from Opinionated articles.) **Do not use quoted material except to capture specific statistics or other data.** Use your own words to show you have read and truly understand the source. Using quotes will lose points.

5) Note on use: Explain how you are going to use the source in the paper. (Why did you choose this particular source? How does it fit into the discussion surrounding your subtopic?)

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