

Annotated Bibliography

What is an annotated bibliography?

- An annotated bibliography is required
- . It should contain all sources that you used. (10 primary and 5 secondary)

You should list only those sources that contributed to the development of your entry. Sources of visual materials and oral interviews must be included.

The annotations for each source must explain how the source was used and how it helped you understand your topic.

What does an annotation look like?

Bates, Daisy. *The Long Shadow of Little Rock*.

- **1st ed. New York: David McKay Co. Inc., 1962.**
- **Daisy Bates was the president of the Arkansas NAACP and the one who met and listened to the students each day. This first-hand account was very important to my paper because it made me more aware of the feelings of the people involved.**

Keep in mind....

- An annotation normally should be about 1-3 sentences long. You might be tempted to create page-long annotations to impress people. Don't do it! Lengthy annotations are usually unnecessary and inappropriate, and might be considered an effort to "pad" the bibliography.

Keep in mind...

- The Contest Rule Book states that the annotations "must explain how the source was used and how it helped you understand your topic." Do not recount what the source said.

Final Product...

- MLA Style
- Annotated Bibliography will be typed at the top
- Double spaced
- Times New Roman, size 12, font

Final Product...

- The annotated bibliography must be divided into primary and secondary sources.
- The sources must be listed alphabetically under each heading.

Reminders

- Every group must turn in an annotated bibliography
- If you are working with a partner in another class, make one copy for each teacher.
- Check Mrs. Walton's website for further hints, see me or Mrs. Walton if you are having difficulty.

Final Product

- The annotated bibliography will be due on Dec 8th.