**Notes for EN120**

**Day 33:** Annotated Bibliographies

October 20

1. Now that you have done a topic proposal, you are going to make an annotated bibliography for your research paper. But first, we have to talk about them, yeah?
2. Annotated bibliographies
   1. “Alphabetical list of the sources and documents you have used in developing a research project, with each item on the list summarized and...evaluated” (297)
   2. The first item of business, is to make a bibliography of the sources you have used. For my purposes and this assignment, it will be in MLA, so you will title it “Works Cited.”
   3. **Summarize, evaluate, and reflect:** 
      1. **Short 1-2 sentence summary of the source and the type of source that it is.**
      2. **Evaluate the quality, reliability, objectivity, goals of the source.**
      3. **Reflect on how you will use the information to support your argument.**
   4. Length of annotations will depend on the purpose and requirements of the instructor. For our purposes, your annotations will be between 5-8 sentences each.
3. Annotating sources as you are finding them
   1. Doing this will help you create your annotated bibliography but will help you write your paper even when you don’t have to create an annotated bib
   2. You should highlight, make notes (on sticky notes or in the margins or on Word or whatevs), etc. for certain items:
      1. The text’s main ideas & arguments (to make sure you understand what exactly the author is trying to say. This is important because you don’t want to use that source to support your argument if the source is actually arguing against what you’re saying (unless you are specifically using it that way. Ha).
      2. Other points/ideas that support your argument/ideas
      3. Quotations that will be useful as support
      4. Evidence that this source used that might be helpful to you as well
      5. Your reactions as you read and first thoughts
4. Annotated bibliography assignment
   1. hand out & discuss

**Homework**

Chapter 41-43 (472-486)

Annotated Bibliography

(EN120)

**Due:** October 29 by 11:59 pm

**Points:** 50

**Requirements:**

* Create an MLA-style annotated bibliography with at least 5 sources
  + For your sake, I suggest you use sources for your research paper to make your life easier. However, you do not HAVE to.