Annotated Bibliography Assignment

There are two important components to this assignment:

One is the bibliographic part, wherein you will need to use the proper MLA format for whatever type of resource you are citing (i.e. book, chapter of a book, journal article, etc.).

The second component is the annotation, which basically means a relatively brief (75-150 words) write-up that includes a summary of the content of the source, an evaluation of the usefulness and credibility of the source, and a personal reflection indicating how this resource suited your research needs in this particular case.

The English Composition Annotated Bibliography page where this assignment is posted (http://libguides.uakron.edu/EngCompAnnoBib) provides you with an abundance of useful explanatory resources to help you in all aspects of this assignment, from finding the information to utilizing correct MLA format.

**What NOT to do**

DO NOT summarize or copy and paste the abstract of an article from a library research database. Likewise, do not copy a book jacket summary. Just like any paper you write, your annotations should be in your own words.

**Where do I look for information?**

The “Find Resources” portion of the English Composition Annotated Bibliography page has direct links to resources suitable for this project: http://libguides.uakron.edu/EngCompFindResources

In sum, an annotated bibliography tests your ability to locate and retrieve appropriate information resources for your research needs, your capability of accurately and concisely summarizing them, and your competency in gauging their usefulness to you for a specific assignment.

**Keeping Track of Your Research**

For each citation/annotation entry in your bibliography, you should also include the database or web site you used to find the information, as well as the exact key words and terms you typed in to find that resource.