**The Critical Annotated Bibliography**

**The impact of The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act on primary school education**

Writing Assignment #2 will be a **critical annotated bibliography of 12 sources**.

In this assignment you will write **a list of at least 12 references in alphabetical order in APA format**.  In addition, each reference will be followed by **a short analytical summary** of 150-200 words**.**

At the end of the short summary, you will **include a sentence or two that critically analyzes the source and that mentions distinctive features about the article and why it may or may not be useful for you in writing a literature review.**

Please click [here](http://polaris.umuc.edu/de/csi/2011_11_WRTG_391/a3_bibliography_a01.html) for a video that briefly describes and outlines this writing assignment.

**Keep in mind that it should be a topic on which a number of studies or scholarly articles have been published. You will conduct all or most of your research using UMUC’s OneSearch function in finding scholarly articles.**

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This assignment will be an **analytical/critical/ annotated bibliography**.  The difference between the descriptive/informative annotated bibliography and the analytical/critical annotated bibliography is explained in the following video:

<http://www.umuc.edu/library/tutorials/bibliography/bibliography.shtml>

The transcript is at <http://www.umuc.edu/library/libhow/bibliography_tutorial.cfm#transcript>.

The following are some links to sample Annotated Bibliographies.  Some of them give examples in APA format. You may want to observe these examples and perhaps model your work after them.

* A variety of samples from [The University of North Carolina Writing Center](http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/annotated-bibliographies/), including these specific [examples of APA-style annotations](http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/annotated-bibliographies/apa-examples/).
* Some instruction from [Cornell University](http://olinuris.library.cornell.edu/ref/research/skill28.htm).  The website also provides more information on the process of writing an annotated bibliography.
* Some instruction from [East Carolina University](http://libanswers.ecu.edu/a.php?qid=458564).