

AP Language and Composition Checklist for Annotated Bibliography

Sources

- List features at least 5 scholarly sources
- Sources provide a good basis for discovering and understanding multiple sides of an issue

Citations

- All information is present
- Entries are in alphabetical order
- Entries are double spaced
- Entries feature hang indentation

Annotations (not every annotation will do all of these)

- Provide information about the usefulness of the source to your question
- Give the thesis of the source's main argument
- Make clear the exigence for the argument
- Use commentary style
- Refer to the writer of the source
- Use short, frequent quotations
 - To give a sense of voice
 - To present technical information
 - To anchor your work in the text itself
- Give a sense of how each article fits into the larger conversation
 - Refer to key ideas of topic
 - Refer to other sources on the bibliography
- Evaluate the sources, as necessary
- Spot bias or logical flaws
- Raise new questions