

Annotated Bibliography



What is a bibliography?

A bibliography is the compilation of all the sources that are used in the essay. This means all the books, journals, websites, etc. are listed here. Usually, the information used is the author's name, title of the book, publication, etc. Most of the time, this is called a Works Cited page, or a References page.



What is an annotation?

An annotation is a description of a source where the information is summarized or evaluated. The length of the annotation can vary from a few sentences to a couple of pages. It all depends on the depth needed for the work.



Thus:

An annotated bibliography is a combination of the two, a bibliography and an annotation. In other words, a compilation of all the sources used with a summary or evaluation of the information for each one individually.



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 **Example**

Ellis, Dave. *Becoming a Master Student*. Ninth Edition. Boston: Houghton Mifflin. Print.

In this textbook, Dave Ellis teaches how to become, not just a better, but a master student. The textbook shows multiple ways to study, defines how the process of memory works, and gives advice on how to develop an optimal, personalized study pattern.

Wong, Linda. *Essential Study Skills*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 2009. Print.

A guide to understanding the different parts of studying. It provides exercises that helps improve human performance on all areas of studying.

McCuen, Jo Ray, Anthony C. Winkler Eds. *Reading for Writers*. Sixth Edition. San Diego: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich. Print.

This book provides a plethora of stories, poems, and essays designed to give writers examples of the different styles of writing. It also provides key vocabulary at the end of each writing in order to help the reader learn more words.