Annotated Bibliography Assignment

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The assignment: Find five articles that you can use to support the thesis of your team presentation. They can be articles from scholarly journals or policy reports from think tanks, government agencies or policy organizations. I will accept only ONE article from a magazine or trade journal.

Prepare a citation for the selected articles/reports using MLA format.

Write an annotated bibliography for each article/report that you selected.

What is an annotated bibliography?

An annotated bibliography is a list of your research sources that includes a concise summary of each source along with a critical analysis of the source. For this assignment the annotation must be evaluative. The annotation should be a paragraph long and include:

- A brief description or summary. What are the research questions, the purpose, the methods, and the main conclusion?
- An analysis of the arguments or evidence presented (strengths/weaknesses)
- The authority or qualifications of the author
- The intended audience for the source
- An evaluation of the relevance and value of the source. You may compare the source to others or look at in terms of the broad subject area but be sure to state why the source is useful for your research.

It is important that when you choose and evaluate the sources that you show how they are relevant to your team’s research project.

Grading Rubric: Your grade will depend upon these factors:

1. Selection of five relevant scholarly articles or policy papers
2. Citations in correct MLA format
3. Critical annotations that include an evaluation of the work
4. Evidence of use of library databases