

## ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY

### Modern Language Association (MLA) Format

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An annotated bibliography provides the reader with a summary and an evaluation of each citation. Summary is generally written in the form of paragraphs and gives a concise exposition of the source's central idea(s) and provides the reader with an overview of the source's content. Two examples of annotated bibliographies in MLA style are below.

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Isaacson, Walter. *Einstein: His Life and Universe*. Simon and Schuster, 2008

*Walter's book* carefully examines the life of Albert Einstein, assembling numerous primary and secondary sources to explore the development of his personality and scientific genius. It also casts him within the broader contexts of World War II, Jewish persecution, the popularization of quantum mechanics, and the invention of the atomic bomb. The book also explores some of the unintended consequences of his genius, such as the application of nuclear physics to weapons of mass destruction. The author emphasizes that Einstein loved truth and knowledge from his earliest tinkering with simple toys until his last moment on Earth. He was surrounded by an enormous legacy of achievement and a loving extended family. He paid attention to his failures as well as his successes, and never settled for unproven historical details. This book illuminates the complex personality that backgrounded Einstein's beautiful conception of the world.

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Isaacson, Walter. *Steve Jobs*. Simon & Schuster, October 24, 2011

*Walter's book* is the New York Times bestseller. The author talks about the life of Steve Jobs based on more than forty interviews conducted with Jobs and interviews with more than a hundred family members, friends, adversaries, competitors, and colleagues. The author starts from the childhood of the jobs and talks about his birth parents and adoptive parents. The author also chronicles Jobs's relationship with his business partner and co-creator of Apple, Steve Wozniak. The author also focuses on the relationships Jobs formed while at a company with Ron Wayne, who would eventually become one of the co-founders of Apple Computer. The author emphasizes the importance of Jobs's position as one of the great innovators of the twentieth century. His contributions to personal computing, smartphones, animated films, and tablet computing elevate him to the status of such giants as Thomas Edison and Henry Ford. His technological prowess will affect the lives of countless generations to come.