

# Annotated Bibliographies

- Some citation errors -- remember to use APA!
  - Can use [citationmachine.net](http://citationmachine.net) if you'd like
- Use the required sources (ask me!)
- READ your sources!
  - Not just the abstract
- Some summarizing problems
  - Will discuss today

# Research Paper Strategies

- **MAKE AN OUTLINE (if you haven't yet)**
  - See today's reading for guidance
  - I cannot overemphasize the importance of an outline!
- **Once you have your outline, plug in your sources**
  - If you need more sources, go find them
  - It's okay to have more than 5 sources if you want

# Research Paper Strategies, cont.

- Start by presenting and summarizing your sources
  - Badke: describe then analyze (p. 167)
  - Summaries: Columbia Univ guide
  - Paraphrasing: library handout, Purdue OWL
- Avoid excessive quotation
  - I need to hear your voice and thoughts!

# Research Paper Strategies, cont.

- Finally, analyze your sources in light of your research question
  - And arrive at conclusions
  - Was your research question answered?
  - Do you have any recommendations?
  - Conclusions do not need to be long!

# General Writing Advice

- Omit needless words
- Spellcheck, proofread
- Purdue OWL