

TCMS RESEARCH SKILLS



**Questions? See Mrs. Kathie Craven
in the TCMS Media Center**

PRIMARY & SECONDARY SOURCES WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

Primary Sources

Secondary Sources

First hand account

Second hand account

Created by someone who
experienced the event

Created by someone who did
NOT experienced the event

Created on or near the date of
the event

Created well AFTER the event

Newspapers
(written on or
near the day
of the event)



Newspapers
(written well
after the event)

Diaries



Textbooks



Encyclopedias

Songs



Biographies

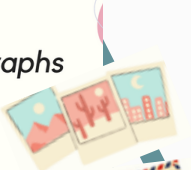
Paintings



Research
Websites



Photographs



Documentaries



Letters



Speeches



WHAT SHOULD MY ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY LOOK LIKE?

You will have two sections: Primary Sources
& Secondary Sources (each section should
be in alphabetical order)

See example below:

Annotated Bibliography

Primary Sources:

**Anderson, Todd. George Lucas Has A
Friendly Lightsaber Duel With Jedi Mickey
Mouse At Disney's Hollywood Studios.
Orlando.**

This photo was taken at Walt Disney World in
2010. This photo shows the relationship
between Lucas and Disney. Lucasfilms sold
Star Wars for billions.

Secondary Sources:

**Klein, Sarah. "Genius 'Star Wars' Poster
Campaigned For Vaccines In 1977."
HuffPost, HuffPost, 7 Dec. 2017,
[www.huffpost.com/entry/star-wars-
vaccines-shots_n_6598916](http://www.huffpost.com/entry/star-wars-
vaccines-shots_n_6598916).**

This article explains how Star Wars even
influenced parents to get their children
vaccinated against measles. The poster is on
my backboard to show the impact into just
about every aspect of life in the United States.
"Don't join the dark side. Vaccinate."

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www.galileo.usg.edu**

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tcjackets bookmarks)**

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2) Select **All Databases** on
upper right; click on **N**, &
select **National History Day**

Here you will find:

**Encyclopedias, eBooks, full-
text articles from magazines,
newspapers, Primary
Sources, online Museums,
and more!**

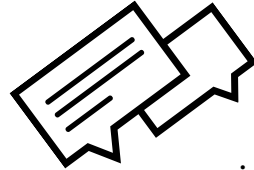
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Advanced Search

- 1) Type a term in the search bar
- 2) Select the settings gear on the upper right, then select Advanced search
- 3) For research, the following domains are reliable: **.gov, .org, .edu, .mil**



- 1) Click on Tools, then Citations.
- 2) Select MLA, and Add Citation Source
- 3) Select Source Type & how you accessed the source.
- 4) Enter as much information as possible. If website or online database, copy & paste URL and information will be automatically uploaded.
- 5) Select Add Citation Source (this automatically alphabetizes), then Insert Works Cited.

CITATIONS

Use **zotero.org**,
easybib.com, or
citationmachine.net
to help with
formatting

**zotero.org will keep a
record of your citations
and alphabetize them
for you!**

HOW TO SPOT FAKE NEWS



CONSIDER THE SOURCE
Click away from the story to investigate the site, its mission and its contact info.



READ BEYOND
Headlines can be outrageous in an effort to get clicks. What's the whole story?



CHECK THE AUTHOR
Do a quick search on the author. Are they credible? Are they real?



SUPPORTING SOURCES?
Click on those links. Determine if the info given actually supports the story.



CHECK THE DATE
Reposting old news stories doesn't mean they're relevant to current events.



IS IT A JOKE?
If it is too outlandish, it might be satire. Research the site and author to be sure.



CHECK YOUR BIASES
Consider if your own beliefs could affect your judgement.



ASK THE EXPERTS
Ask a librarian, or consult a fact-checking site.

