What is a bibliography?
A bibliography is the listing of all the books or other sources that you used to research a topic.

Requirements for History Fair bibliography:
- Your annotated bibliography rough draft is due (Oct. 25th Blue Day) or (Oct. 26th Green Day)
- You need a total of 5 sources: at least 1 primary source for the rough draft.
- The sources need to be divided into primary and secondary sources AND in alphabetical order by the author’s last name.
- It must be in MLA format
- It MUST be typed!

MLA Bibliographic Format:
Last name, First name. Book Title. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication.

Example: Basic MLA Bibliography

What does it mean to annotate?
When you annotate your bibliography, you tell the reader about your source and how it was helpful to you.

Sentence 1:
Tell us about the source.

Sentence 2:
Tell us how this source was useful to you.

Example: Annotated MLA Bibliography

This book is a collection of important American speeches and writings. It was helpful to me, because it gave me important examples of famous speeches for my project.

How do I divide my bibliography into primary and secondary sources?
A Primary Source:
Someone saw an event as it happened or wrote about an event as it was occurring.

A Secondary Source:
Articles and books published after an event by people, who were not eyewitnesses or participants.

Example: Annotated MLA bibliography divided into primary and secondary sources
Primary Sources

This is Anne Frank’s diary that she kept about her life. It details her feelings and experiences during World War II. It was useful to me, because it gave me a first hand account of how Jews were affected by Nazi policies during World War II.

Secondary Sources

This book is a collection of important American speeches and writings. It was helpful to me, because it gave me important information for my project.