

USING EBSCO FOR RESEARCH ESSAY

The Essays: You Throughout the year, you will be writing short collegiate level, MLA format, research-based informative essays in which you inform or persuade your reader on a variety of topics.

Evidence: You will need to include evidence to support your claim from two different sources: Brave New World and an outside article from EBSCO.

WHAT IS EBSCO?

If you are my returning student, you are already familiar with EBSCO. If this is brand new to you, EBSCO is an online database of scholarly articles that have been vetted for credibility and made available for students pursuing higher learning.

HOW TO USE EBSCO:

First, type the following website in the URL spot: <http://search.ebscohost.com/>

USER ID: centinela
PASSWORD: library

***You will need to type in the user id and password when you use this website outside of school.**

- 1.) Click on **EBSCOhost Research Databases**
- 2.) Hit **Continue** on the next page
- 3.) On the search page, type in your proposed health topic like “diabetes in American teens” or “the dangers of sugary foods”
- 4.) On the left task bar, check the box that says **Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Articles**

HOW TO CITE:

Once you have to article open that you want to cite, click on the little page on the right task bar. When you hover your mouse across it, the words **Cite** will pop up. Then you click on it, and scroll down to MLA Format. Then copy/paste the citation at add it to the bottom of your answer.

BRAVE NEW WORLD ESSAYS:

- 1.) For the next three weeks, you will be writing a 2-3 page research paper for the following topics related to the book. Once you score a 46 or higher, you will not have to write the remaining essays. You may rewrite the essays for a higher grade, but the higher grade will not excuse you from writing the next essay.

ESSAY 1: Eugenics DUE: Sunday night at midnight to Turnitin.com 10/21/2018

ESSAY 2: Drugs DUE: Sunday night at midnight to Turnitin.com 10/28/2018

ESSAY 3: Open Topic DUE: Sunday night at midnight to Turnitin.com 11/4/2018

OKAY. LET'S FIND A QUOTE TOGETHER.

- 1.) Open up search.ebscohost.com
- 2.) Click on **EBSCOhost Research Databases**
- 3.) Type in “eugenics” in search bar
- 4.) On left side, check the box that says “scholarly peer reviewed articles”
- 5.) Adjust the search in the search bar and write “eugenics and brave new world”
- 6.) Click on number one: “Community, Identity, and Stability”
- 7.) Click on PDF full next

Okay, maybe we write a thesis about how eugenics can be good for helping cure diseases, improve ability, etc, but we want to warn against science going too far. Here's a quote that I could use in my essay.

“Perceived at the time as a science, eugenics is interested in the genetic improvement of the human species through such practices as selective breeding, birth control, and sterilization. The eugenics movement called for greater control of the state over its people; by improving its “human stock,” each state could expect, eugenicists argued, to be strengthened” (Congdon 84).

*Pay attention to how I used the author's last name and page number. That's how you cite in MLA Format.
*Now, when I go to use this quote in my essay, I can cite just sections of it; I don't have to cite the whole chunk.

How do I cite an article that has already been cited in another article?

Sometimes an author of a book, article or website will mention another person's work by using a quotation or paraphrased idea from that source. (This may be called a secondary source.) For example, the Congdon article you are reading includes several quotes from other authors. Let me show you how to cite a quote within a quote.

THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE IN THE TEXT:

Woiak's conclusion is that Brave New World “offers a sophisticatedcritique of how scientific knowledge emerges from and in turn serves the social, political, and economic agendas of those in power” (Woiak 124).

THIS IS HOW I WOULD QUOTE IT:

According to Robert S. Baker, David Bradshaw, and Joanne Woiak (qtd. in Congdon) the Brave New World World “offers a sophisticatedcritique of how scientific knowledge emerges from and in turn serves the social, political, and economic agendas of those in power” (84).

Now, when you use research, you must cite your sources internally (within the body of the essay) and create a MLA Citation at the end.

MLA CITATION AT END:

- 1.) **On the right side of the pdf, you'll see a bunch of icons.**
- 2.) **Click on the one that says “cite” when you hover above it with your mouse or trackpad.**
- 3.) **Scroll through the list until you find th article cited in MLA format.**
- 4.) **Copy/paste at the end of your essay.**

Congdon, Brad. “‘Community, Identity, Stability’: The Scientific Society and the Future of Religion in Aldous Huxley's.” *English Studies in Canada*, vol. 37, no. 3/4, Sept. 2011, pp. 83–105. Online. Accessed 14 Oct. 2018.

That's what your entry should look like. I had to put the cursor at the end of the line and hit enter to get the second and third lines to indent. I also cut the lon URL and substituted “Online. Accessed 14 Oct. 2018.”

Now that you know how to pull a fact from EBSCO, you are all ready to write an essay!

HERE ARE THE REQUIREMENTS:

- 1.) Introduce the issue of eugenics, mentioning positives and negatives. Use BNW as a cautionary tale against using technology to govern humanity.
- 2.) Make a claim.
- 3.) Support it with with two pieces of evidence: BNW and an outside article.
- 4.) Include a Works Cited section at the end of your essay with the 2 pieces of evidence.

ESSAY RUBRIC

ITEM	5	4	3	2
Grammar/ Punctuation	1-2 errors	3-4 errors	5-6 errors	More than 6
Academic Register	No "I's", written all in one tense	1-2 errors	3-4 errors	More than 4 errors
Introduction	Establish the issue of eugenics as both a positive and negative issue	Author mostly establishes that an issue exists	Author mentions a topic but not its pressing importance	It's unclear what this essay will be about
MLA Format	Double spaced, slug, indented, last name and page numbers	1-2 errors	3-4 errors	More than 4 errors
BNW Quote	Author clearly embeds a quote from BNW and cites correctly	Author almost perfectly includes a quote	Author includes a quote but it is not embedded	Quote is not cited correctly
BNW quote explained	Clear and sophisticated explanation/tie back to claim	Good explanation/ties back to claim	Explained but not thoroughly	Unclear
EBSCO Article Quote	Author clearly embeds a quote from EBSCO article	Author almost perfectly includes a quote	Author includes a quote but it is not embedded	Quote is not cited correctly
Quote explained	Clear and sophisticated explanation/tie back to claim	Good explanation/ties back to claim	Explained but not thoroughly	Unclear
Conclusion/Through Line	Paper repeats topic and ends with a clincher/call-to-action	Paper mostly recalls topic	Paper recalls topic but connection is a bit unclear	Missing more than 1 element
Works Cited	Entry includes at least 3 sources correctly cited	1 error	2 errors	More than 2 errors

POINTS BREAKDOWN:

_____ /50 **ESSAY**

***Must earn a 46 or higher to be excused from other two essays.**