

Documentary Research Outline (Rough Draft)

Start with a basic outline of your research. Make this outline as close to final form as possible. The outline is the foundation of your research—the basic framework on which you hang your ideas. The annotations indicate the content source and the substance of the paper's argument.

Keep the outline simple. The annotations should reveal an orderly movement of thought from introduction to conclusion.

For each heading, use a topic sentence that directly expresses the main idea of the section. Your annotations must be directly related to this topic sentence.

The annotations should contain roughly three to six sentences under each heading—enough to give the reader a clear idea of each section's contents, and no more.

Outline form – 2

Clear & orderly topic/heading sentences – 2

Annotations concise yet thorough – 3

Well-written (Grammar & Clarity) – 2

☐ **The Introduction**

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☐ **Main Point #1**

☐ **Main Point #2**

☐ **Opposing Viewpoint(s)**

☐ **Conclusion:**

Potential Interviews w/ Contact Info and Notes