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Working with sources

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Introduction

Use the following worksheet to take notes on sources you are using to research your project. It is designed to help you keep you organized and build resources that you can use as you begin drafting.

Full reference

[Type out the full references/work cited list entry in your chosen format]

What is the author's main argument?

[Summarize in 1-3 sentences in your own words without looking at the source]

What are some key pieces of evidence/examples that support the argument?

[You can summarize in a paragraph or bulleted list]

Did you find the argument persuasive?

[Explain what did or didn't work for you. Is there a better way to make this argument?]

How are you thinking differently about the topic?

[Did this change your mind or teach you something? Are you conceiving of your writing project differently now?]

Transcribe a few key quotes that you might want to use

[Be sure to use quotation marks in this field, especially if you need to frame the quotes with paraphrased context.]

