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Research Proposal: Research Paper Title

Your first paragraph or two should contain your research concept and proposal. Remember that this is a brief overview of your research topic and your interest in it. Try and formulate a point that you will argue or attempt to prove through your research. The question or point you hope to prove should be complex, but focused and clear.

Annotated Bibliography

Besthoff, Len. "Cell Phone Use Increases Risk of Accidents, but Users Willing to Take the Risk."

WRAL.com. Capitol Broadcasting, 9 Nov. 1999. Web. 12 Jan. 2001.

Your annotation should start by identifying the type of source (newspaper article, scholarly journal article, novel, film clip, etc.). Write a BRIEF summary that covers the relevant basics (who, what, when, where, why and/or how) and focuses on the information that you anticipate using in your essay. Include a short assessment of the source's credibility (what makes you think it is a reliable, trustworthy, or otherwise valuable source of information?). Conclude with a suggestion as to how the source will be useful in constructing your argument.

Farmers Insurance Group. "New Survey Shows Drivers Have Had 'Close Calls' with Cell Phone Users."

Farmers. Farmers Insurance Group, 8 May 2000. Web. 12 Jan. 2001.

This article from an insurance company's web site discusses the results of a survey in which 45% of respondents report that they have had at least one accident or near-accident that they blame on distraction due to cell-phone usage. The source seems credible – detailed information is provided as to how the survey was conducted, and over 1000 people participated. I plan to use the included statistics to show that the use of cell phones while driving is both widespread and problematic.

"Hanging indent" – everything but the first line of the works cited entry is indented 5 spaces.

The whole thing is double spaced.