Step 3

Continue writing the Source Entry #1 (Reflection and Rhetorial Analysis parts)

**Part 3 Reflection.**

In the third part of your entry, you will write a **Reflection**. **This part is perhaps the most important part, so don’t skimp here!** This is where you respond to the source and give your opinion and your own ideas. **I want to see YOUR OWN ORIGINAL THINKING.** If all you are doing is repeating the MI’s then you are on the wrong track. This is a not another summary—you already wrote a summary in Part 2!(one paragraph at least 5 sentences.)

Choose from any of these questions to write your Reflection.

* What do you think about the writer’s points?
* What does this source tell you about your research question?
* Why did you select this source?
* Do you agree or disagree with the information that the author presents? **Why or why not? Be specific!**
* What did you learn from the text? Reflect on the new information you learned **and ADD your own thinking. What further ideas, questions, thoughts do you have?**
* Find a significant quote and discuss it.
* What questions do you have about what the author is saying? What don’t you understand?
* What other information do you need to look up to better understand this topic?
* If you could say something to this author, what would you say?

**Part 4 Rhetorical Analysis.** Here you will consider writing style, purpose, and author’s credentials. (one paragraph of at least 5 sentences)

* Describe the author’s writing style, tone, attitude?
* What is the author’s intended audience and purpose (reason for writing)?
* What is the genre? Is the genre effective? Does the choice of genre make sense for what the author wants to accomplish?
* Credibility: Is the author credible? Is the source (magazine/organization) credible? Explain why author and source are reliable.

**Part 5: Notable Quotables**

Quotations: Make a note of at least **three** direct quotes from each source that you feel really exemplifies the document’s claims or interpretations or that you feel is important or useful in some way. Be sure to put the quote in quotation marks and note the page number if a book or just the author name if an article.

“Put the quoted words here” (Smith 45).