**RESEARCH PROJECT: Outline**

World Literature

**Title Page (on its own page):** Running Head, Title, Name, School

**Abstract (on its own page):** Summary of your paper in 100-150 words followed by four to five key words; last section you should write

**The “Paper”**

1. **Introduction**

In this section you will introduce your topic by way of providing some background information and the relevance or significance of your topic. You may want to revisit your proposal. Also, it is often easier to write your introduction once you have the Literature Review (see below). ***Be sure to conclude this section by sharing your research question*. *For now, write your research question below.***

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1. **Literature Review**

In this section (which should be several paragraphs), you will objectively synthesize the sources you consulted. You may want to refer back to the synthesis activity as you outline this section. Also, I suggest review the section “Of Note” at the end of this handout.

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1. **Discussion**

In this section, you will discuss how you believe the conditions, outcomes, or state of your issue (as described in your literature review) impacts the relevant society and/or the world at large. In addition, consider matters that the sources you consulted did not address. Questions to consider:

*What else would you and/or like or need to know?*

*What additional research should be conducted?*

1. **Conclusion**

Your conclusion should provide the highlights of your paper and, especially, explain the “so what?” or universality of your research. Questions to consider:

*What will happen if these conditions don’t change?*

*How might others be impacted?*

*Moving forward, what should people be asking of themselves and/or others?*

***Ultimately, why should your reader care?***

**Reference Page:** Your bibliography of sources

**OF NOTE**

For this activity, you were only required to outline the Literature Review portion of your paper. This outline, of course, must be developed into complete paragraphs.

This outline only includes room for three sub-topics, each with seven supporting details. These numbers are flexible. You may find that you need more or fewer sub-topics, and you may find that you need more fewer supporting details. It is up to you to determine the appropriate amount of information based on your topic.

In addition to “writing up” your Literature Review, you will need to write the other sections of your paper (e.g., Abstract, Introduction, Discussion, and Conclusion); we will talk about those sections in more detail later. Ultimately, your paper should be 4-5 pages, not including your Title Page and Reference Page.