This week I learned how to utilize our KU Libraries' databases to find resources for my annotated bibliography. I now know how to select the appropriate database and how to use certain strategies when doing my research, such as using AND, OR, and NOT when I need to. Also knowing to use quotation marks and parenthesis to narrow or broaden my search. I learned how to connect electronically to the full-text of the article that I find. Searching for E-Journals is another thing I learned to do which will be very helpful when a professor gives suggests a certain citation to use later on in other classes. Last but not least, I used my citation generator while doing my “locating a journal” assignment. I found two articles while searching the databases that I think will be helpful to me later on. The first citation that I have listed that is an article about people who have a problem with animal hoarding which is when they fail to provide minimal standards of care for their animals. A lot of people probably wouldn’t think of it as being hoarding. The second citation I have listed is an article about how a lot of law enforcement officers don’t know enough about what to do when they get a case of animal abuse and how many people may see the abuse first hand but still don’t report it.

Description: This article gives information about what animal hoarding is, how it is not always understood and also explains what are some of the causes of animal hoarding.
Audience Description: This being an article out of the Clinical Psychology Review, this is for an audience that is learning about psychological effects of everyday life.
Evaluative Statement: This article seems to be reliable and useful. The authors used many references while doing their research which has me to believe they got many different perspectives on the subject of animal hoarding.
Degree of Usefulness: This article is just what I need to show examples of how many people don’t know they are abusing their animals.

Whitcomb, Rachael. "Improvement needed on animal cruelty identification, reporting, ASPCA says.(In the news)." DVM 42.2 (2011): 38. Print.
Description: This article talks about how law enforcement officers don’t always know how to handle animal abuse cases and discusses how many people don’t even report it when they see animal abuse first hand.
Audience Description: As an article with ASPCA in the title, which stands for The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, it is intended for animal rights advocates.
Evaluative Statement: This being an article of a national report makes it to be reliable and it seems to have good statistics.
Degree of Usefulness: This article will be very useful to me when discussing the law enforcement officers not knowing what to do when an animal abuse case comes to their attention.

My response:

Thank you XXXX! You demonstrated that you understand each category of the annotations and have earned full points. Here are a few corrections to make before you
add it to your final bibliography.

"Audience Description: This being an article out of the Clinical Psychology Review, this is for an audience that is learning about psychological effects of everyday life."

Suggested change:
"Audience Description: This is an article published in Clinical Psychology Review, its targeted audience is probably the novice interested in psychological effects of everyday life."

"This being an article of a national report makes it to be reliable and it seems to have good statistics."

Suggested rewording:
"This article is a national report and therefore it is reliable and includes good statistics."