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After you summarize your source you must assess its validity.
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- Is the information reliable?
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Step 3: Reflect
After you summarize and assess your source you must reflect on how your source helped your paper.
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Have you been using Cornell Notes?

You have? Good!

That means you've already summarized your sources which will help immensely with your annotations!