MESA COLLEGE LIBRARY LITERARY CRITICISM WORKSHEET

Name _____

Person/Work Being Researched _____

Outcomes - Upon successful completion of this session, you will be able to:
- Develop search strategies in order to locate information effectively.
- Search in appropriate research tools in order to locate relevant information.
- Evaluate retrieved information in order to determine the most appropriate material to use.

Library web site: www.sdmesa.edu/library

LOCATING BOOKS

1. Click on the **Library Catalog: Books and More** link on the Library's home page. Enter your topic in the **Any Keyword(s), Subject-Keyword(s)**, or **Title-Keyword(s),** box or use Super Search Tool. Choose a title **located at Mesa** and enter the following:

Call Number (including location) _____

Title_____

Author(s) _____

Publisher_____Date of Publication _____

City of Publication_____Status (If book is out, enter the date due) _____

Enter **one** Subject Heading _____

2. Click on the **Course Reserve Link** on the Library Home Page, determine whether your instructor for this class has put any materials on Course Reserve.

　　Instructor's Name _____

　　Provide the Reserve Number for one item (s)he has put on reserve (if none, so state) _____

FINDING AN ONLINE ARTICLE

(Note: Mesa does not subscribe to all the periodical titles in these databases.)

3. Click on the **Article and Reference Databases** link and choose a database or use the **OneSearch** box
　to locate an article. (If using **OneSearch**, be careful that it is an article and not a book or some other
　type of material.
　　Exact Search Terms and symbols used _____

4. Choose an article and provide the following information: (if available)

Article Title _____

Article Author(s), if listed _____

Title of Magazine/Journal _____

Date of Issue_____Volume_____Issue Number_____Beginning Page _____

Article Database _____

<u>USING LITERARY CRITICISM MATERIALS</u>

5 Click on the **Article and Reference Databases** link on the home page, and then click on **All Databases by Subject** and choose the **Literature, Language and Communication Studies**. Look up your author or the title of one of his/her works in **Literature Resource Center,** or **Literary Reference Center Plus.**

Title of one item you found _____

Database you used _____

What specifically did the article discuss? For example, what insights did it give on your literary piece of writing?

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<u>GALE VIRTUAL REFERENCE LIBRARY</u>

6. Click on the **Article and Reference Databases** link on the home page, and then click on **Reference Databases** (multiple subjects) link on the right. Click on the link called **Gale Virtual Reference Library**.

Search terms used _____

Title of book chosen _____

Page numbers of Section _____

Write your MLA or APA style citation here: ___

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