

Reading Notes Template

Last Name of Author(s)

Date/Year of Publication

Text Title

*Note: This is not the name of the journal that an article is published in.

Kind of Text – Check All that Apply

<input type="checkbox"/> Primary Source	<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly Journal Article	<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Book Chapter
<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper Article	<input type="checkbox"/> Law Review Article	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Book Chapter
<input type="checkbox"/> Government Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Type of Article	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Author's Tone

<input type="checkbox"/> Empirical/Neutral	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy Recommendation
<input type="checkbox"/> Normative/Biased	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Data and Method – Check All that Apply

<input type="checkbox"/> Ethnographic/Participant Observation	<input type="checkbox"/> Survey Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Interview	<input type="checkbox"/> Census Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Content Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/> Regression or Other High-Level Statistical, Computer-based Analysis
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical/Archival Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Trends, Averages, Counts, or Basic Descriptive Statistics
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Narrative	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Unclear	

When/Where does the study take place? That is, when/where did the data come from?

Decade or century: _____

Location/setting: _____

Research Question (1-2 Sentences)

Thesis (1-2 Sentences + 2-3 Supporting Arguments/Examples)

Key Concepts/Terms/Examples

Critique (1 or More Sentences)

Other Notes
