

# Using Note Cards for Research

Use the following strategy in order to take notes on a note card. This process will help you organize your notes in order to make creating the Formal Outline and organizing your Persuasive Research Paper easier.

As you read information about your topic from a source, record the following information on a Note Card:

1. Reason & Specific Example
2. Information you did not know about your topic
  - **Paraphrased** information
  - **Direct Quotation** (enclosed in quotation marks “ ”)
3. Citation (reference to Works Cited page & parenthetical citation)

Reason #3 Las Vegas Entertainment: Chris Angel

- Performs at Luxor Hotel & Casino
- A little expensive, but worth it
- “a world-class performance”

(“Criss Angel Believe”)

On the reverse side of the Note Card, put the Works Cited information for that particular source.

“Criss Angel Believe.” Luxor Las Vegas. MGM Resorts International, 2013. Web. 10 April 2013.

As you continue taking notes on different sources, follow the same process and organize your Note Cards by reason and specific example.

\*\*Source Number

\*\*Color Coding