

Levels of *CREDIBILITY*

Research Info

Conversational / 0 *Credibility*

They say that kids born of smoking moms are more likely to become criminals.

Informal / 1-3 Credibility

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Formal yet Not Research-Oriented / *4-8 Credibility:*

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Research-Oriented / 9-10 Credibility

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Research-Oriented / 9-10 *Credibility*

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Documenting Sources—MLA

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