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     One online film critic stated that Fitzcarraldo is "...a beautiful and terrifying critique of obsession and colonialism" (Garcia, "Herzog: a Life").

     Garcia, Elizabeth. "Herzog: a Life." *Online Film Critics Corner.* The Film School of New Hampshire, 2 May 2002. Web. 8 Jan. 2009.

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     Rico and Mano point out many books that are appropriate for multicultural education (Rico and Mano, "Multicultural Education in Today's Society").

     Rico, Jonathan A., and Mano, Phil. "Multicultural Eduction in Today's Society. *Multicultural Discussion Group.* 4 October 1999. 26 July 2007.

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     Amphibian populations are in decline in many areas of the world ("Amphibians").

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     The Purdue OWL is accessed by millions of users each year. Its "MLA Formatting and Style Guide" is one of the most popular resources (Stolley et al.).

     Stolley, Karl, et al. "MLA Formatting and Style Guide." The Owl at Purdue. 10 April, 2014. Purdue University Writing Lab. 14 April 2014.

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- Kessler, Glenn. "Surplus Plunges in New Forecast." Washington Post. Washington Post Company, 23 Aug. 2001. Web. 30 Aug. 2001.