

Online Resources & Databases

for students

What is a database?

Our databases and online resources are collections of information, such as newspaper and magazine articles and encyclopedia entries. Information professionals select verified, accurate information to include in these databases. Much of the material contained in these databases is not freely available on the internet.

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Access Video - Video on demand from any computer or tablet, with no app or software to download. Includes online shows and documentaries from channels like PBS, BBC, History Channel, A&E and more.

A to Z the World - Information about 175 countries including culture, history, customs, food, religion, maps, and other facts.

Biography in Context - Information about people from throughout history, around the world, and across all disciplines and subject areas.

Britannica - Elementary, middle, and high school students can find out who, what, when, where, why, and how about almost any topic.

CultureGrams - Country reports deliver an insider's perspective on daily life and culture, including the history, customs, and lifestyles of the world's people.

Opposing Viewpoints in Context - An online library of current event topics, including pro/con viewpoints, reference articles, interactive maps, infographics and more.

SIRS Discoverer - Full-text newspaper, magazine and reference content on topics such as current events, history, health, language arts, math, science, social studies, and technology.

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Mango Languages - This interactive tool offers more than 70 languages, including English, for children and adults.

Signing Savvy - Learn American Sign Language (ASL) online with this visual dictionary. Create word lists, flash cards, and quizzes.

It's so easy!



Search Tips

Our online resources come from a variety of publishers and focus on different subjects. Most have search boxes with basic and advanced search options. Help screens or search tips are usually provided. When searching, if you aren't getting the results you need, try another search using similar, narrower or broader terms. For example, if "painters" doesn't work, try "artists."

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