

Help Sheet to Sources—Current World Events

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Part I: Books and Print Sources (most located near computers)

Contemporary World Issues



Information Plus

Opposing Viewpoints

Taking Sides

Individual Countries or Topics—Use the online catalog to discover the call number to the topics you are researching. Ask a librarian if you need help in finding the book.

<http://lhwildcats.org/library>

*Citation information for any print materials used in our library can be found via the On-Line Catalog. Add the book title to “**add to this list**”, then click “**in this list**” (right-hand side); finally, click “**Go**” at the bottom of the page next to the Citation tab.

Part II: Gale Virtual Reference Library = e-books

Login ID: wildcats

Areas to Use: Located in the **Gale Student Resource Center**. Conduct a “basic search”
Use options on the left to filter the results.

Citation: Information is at the end of the article. Or click on “citation tools’ in the top tool bar then follow the directions.

Part III: Databases

ABC-CLIO: (historical background and timelines)

User Name: libertyville

Password: wildcats

URL: <http://databases.abc-clio.com/Multi/>

Areas to Use: Do a basic search then use the selections on the left to filter the search.

Citation: At the bottom of the article or click on “Cite this document”.

CultureGrams: (One stop shopping for cultural background to countries.)

User Name: libertyville

Password: wildcats

URL: <http://online.culturegrams.com/>

Areas to Use: Click on the “World Edition” and search for region.

Citation: Simply click on the “Generate Citation” tab on the right-hand side of the page

CQ Researcher: (International coverage of current topics in the news)

User Name: libertyville

Password: wildcats

URL: <http://library.cqpress.com/cqresearcher/>

Areas to Use: Do a basic search and be sure it is sorted by latest date.

Citation: Has a 'cite now' tab in the menu bar. It is more often than not APA Style so double check.

Ebsco: (full-text, book reviews, primary sources, etc.)

EbscoHost:

Login ID: libertyville

Password: wildcats

URL: <http://search.ebscohost.com/>



Areas to Use: Magazine, Newspaper, Health, Images, Bios, etc.

Click "Select" and do a basic search. Refine your search using the 'full text' box on the left-hand side.

Citation: Click on 'cite' button on the right-hand side.

Facts-on-File: (Geography, History, and Science)

American History Online

World Atlas

Login ID: libertyville

Password: wildcats

URL: <http://www.fofweb.com/Direct2.asp?ID=5437&ItemID=WE00>

<http://www.2facts.com/>

Areas to Use: American History, World Geography and Culture, or Science and do a basic search.

Citation: Information is at the bottom of the article.

Gale Resource Center: (multiple databases & subjects)

Login ID: wildcats

URL: <http://find.galegroup.com/menu/commonmenu.do?userGroupName=libe91209>

Areas to Use: Click on the appropriate area for your search: "US History in Context"; "Opposing Viewpoints in Context" or "Global Issues in Context".

Citation: Information is at the end of the article. Also, available is a "Citation Tools".

Lexis/Nexis: (Legal & news sources; statistics, charts and tables)

Web ID: lhslibrary

Password: wildcats

URL: <http://web.lexis-nexis.com/scholastic>



Areas to Use: Study separate search areas carefully to select which is best for your research. Mostly “News” and “General”.

Citation: Information is available but it depends on the article. Most likely you will have to generate your own citation.

NewsBank:

Username: Libertyville

Password: wildcats

URL: <http://infoweb.newsbank.com>

Areas to Use: “America’s News” and do a basic search. Be sure the results are sorted by “best matches first”.

Citation: Click the “Bibliography export” tab on the right-hand side and follow the directions for the MLA citation.

SIRS:

Username: libertyville

Password: wildcats

Areas to Use: Do a basic search. Narrow the results using the choices on the left-hand side.

Citation: Information is at the end of the article or click on the “citation” tab.



Part IV: On-Line Journals:

Current History—each issue is devoted to a single country or an important area of the world. Provides background material and an appraisal of current events. It is a tool for reference and research. <http://www.currenthistory.com/>



Foreign Policy Magazine: Widely regarded as one of the most influential international affairs journals in the world. The journal is a forum for in-depth discussion of issues and events and a source of new ideas and approaches. <http://www.foreignpolicy.com/>

History News Network

Read news articles that relate history to the present and learn historians' views of current events. <http://www.historynewsnetwork.com/>

In These Times Magazine

Provides groundbreaking coverage of current events. <http://www.inthesetimes.org/>

The Nation Magazine: Discusses political and social questions. Keep scrolling down to find the topics. Once you click on the topic, the article appears at the same spot—so you'll have to scroll back down again. <http://www.thenation.com/>

Reason Magazine: Provides a mix of news and analysis. Will give more on the effects of an event than the actual history of the event. <http://www.reason.com/>

The Wilson Quarterly explains and summarizes developments in serious research on politics, the environment, the social sciences, foreign affairs, history, the arts, TV and the press, economics, science and technology. <http://www.wilsoncenter.org/>

Part V: World Newspapers (not all will be available in English)

World Newspapers

<http://www.world-newspapers.com/>

Internet Public Library--Newspapers

<http://www.ipl.org/div/news/>

Online Newspapers

<http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/>

Today's Front Pages

<http://www.newseum.org/todaysfrontpages/>

World Newspapers, Magazines, and News Sites in English

<http://www.world-newspapers.com/>

WorldPress.org

<http://www.worldpress.org/gateway.htm>



Part VI: Websites

Search for News

Google Headline <http://news.google.com/>
Moreover <http://www.moreover.com/>
Net2one <http://www.net2one.com> (may be blocked at school)

Current Events Web Pages

Google Scholar <http://scholar.google.com/>
Librarians Internet <http://lii.org/>
Complete Planet <http://www.completeplanet.com>
Freeality http://www.freeality.com/international_search_engines.htm

Helpful Websites:

CIA Factbook: <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/>
United Nations: <http://cyberschoolbus.un.org/>
Current Events Iraq: <http://www.lkwdpl.org/currentevents/> (only links)
PageFlakes: http://www.pageflakes.com/joyce_valenza/24801452 (only links)

Part VII: Internet Searches

Use the Internet wisely.

Set up a good internet search when you use **Google** or other search engines.

Websites ending in .edu, .gov, .org or .net are usually trustworthy. Remember to use the “+” and “-“ symbols to narrow down the search.

For example: Arab Spring
“Arab Spring” + Tunisia -.com +.gov

Use other versions of the name or search

For example: “Arab Awakening” -.com +.org

