

COLLECTION 1: BASIC RESEARCH DATABASES

INFOTRACK

Includes 15 individual databases including BIOGRAPHY RESOURCE CENTER, CONTEMPORARY LITERARY CRITICISM, THE NEW YORK TIMES (1995-PRESENT), ACADEMIC ONE FILE, GENERAL ONE FILE, MASSACHUSETTS HISTORY ONLINE, STUDENT EDITION and others.
Use Infotrack when you're not sure where to start, want to search for magazine or newspaper articles, or just want some general information.

LITERARY REFERENCE CENTER

Includes THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF LITERATURE, FULL TEXT OF CLASSIC BOOKS, PLOT SUMMARIES, LITERARY CRITICISM, REVIEWS, POEMS, AUTHOR BIOGRAPHIES, and more.
Use the Literary Reference Center when you need information about a book, play short story, or author.

PROQUEST – MASSACHUSETTS NEWSSTAND

Indexes 14 Massachusetts newspapers including THE BOSTON GLOBE, THE BOSTON HERALD, THE BERKSHIRE EAGLE and others.
Use the Massachusetts Newsstand when you are researching a local or state-wide topic.

NEWSBANK – SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN

Full text of the Springfield Republican since 1988.
Use the Springfield Republican to research local environmental, political, sports and human interest stories.

HOW TO ACCESS THE BASIC RESEARCH DATABASES

How to get to it FROM SCHOOL

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Click on "databases"

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COLLECTION 2: ADVANCED RESEARCH DATABASES

The Boston Public Library provides remote access to well over 100 databases to anyone who lives or works in Massachusetts! For a full listing, go to BPL.org and click on "electronic resources." Below is a list of just a few that you might find useful.

ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA Online access to the most updated version of the Britannica.

NEW YORK TIMES 1851-2004 Great for research on notable Americans and American history. Often, newspaper articles can be considered primary sources (check with your teacher).

NOVELIST Reviews of books, and help with finding your next great read!

OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS Pro & con arguments, statistics, newspaper & magazine articles, primary sources, and multi-media for most major issues.

SCIENCE REFERENCE CENTER Explanations of most science-related topics.

SPEECH FINDER Full text of notable speeches in history

STUDENT RESEARCH CENTER Geared toward high school students -- includes general info, a dictionary and access to the Columbia Encyclopedia.

This is only part of what you will find! Check out the other great databases provided by the Boston Public Library. Stop by the High School Library anytime for more help!

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