



Databases for General Research

Useful for All Subject Areas

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1. [Credo Reference](#) – Start here. Useful for *picking a topic, identifying search terms*, and getting a general *topic overview*. Full-text articles from 800+ reference books.
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3. [Academic Search Premier](#) – Useful for *journal articles* and *eBooks*. Has more than 4,600 journals, including nearly 3,900 peer-reviewed titles. This scholarly collection offers information in nearly every area of academic study.
4. [ProQuest Central](#) – Search for *scholarly journals, trade publications, magazines, books, newspapers, reports, and videos*.
5. [Access World News](#) – Useful for *world, regional, and local news*. Includes full-text of newspapers, broadcast media transcripts, and editorials/opinion sections.
6. [Opposing Viewpoints](#) – Useful for *controversial topics, current events, and informative, proposal, and argumentative/persuasive papers*. Gives both sides of the story. Provides pro/con viewpoints, as well as results from academic journals, news sources, magazines, and reference books. Includes statistics, audio, videos, images and website links.
7. [Films on Demand](#) – Useful for *credible video*. Provides thousands of educational and academic programs and documentaries. All films are broken into smaller segments to provide relevant snippets of information. Use the Transcript tab while viewing to copy/paste the narration text for citation. If the film does not offer a transcript, view with Closed Captions to capture text for citation.