SEARCHES FOR INFOTRAC CUSTOM NEWSPAPERS

Search Scenario:
What is important in one state may not be important in another. In this lesson, students will learn about newspapers published in other cities. This lesson will help them understand what makes news in other cities and states.

Assignment: Students are to pick a date and choose at least three different newspapers from different cities and states of interest. They are to compare the articles in each newspaper, from city to city and determine the similarities and differences in the news. They are also to note how each newspaper focused on the national news stories.

Advanced Credit: Students can compare editorials, how they are different and how they are similar. They also are to determine what the concerns of the city are as expressed in the letters to the editors of the newspapers.

Solution:
Go to Custom Newspapers.
Click the button in the left margin to go to the CUSTOM SEARCH screen.
From the pull-down menu list, select da for DATE and type in the date of choice, e.g. August 15, 2000.
Click the BROWSE journals button and select at least three newspapers by putting a check in the box to the left of the newspaper’s name.
Submit selections by clicking on the SUBMIT SELECTIONS button in the left margin.
Check the limit by NEWS box to limit the search by Section.
Click Search.

Scroll down the list of articles returned and note similar and different articles.
You can also open one of the articles and scroll to the bottom to View other News Articles in that Issue.

For the Advanced credit assignment: To compare and contrast the Editorials, repeat the process on this time select the Opinion and Editorial Section for your limit.

Each student should have enough information to complete their assignment.
Additional Searches for Custom Newspapers:

**Relevance Search**

Search for *presidential election polls*
Limit to year 2000.

Search for *tattoos and teenagers*

Search for *ecstasy +teens*

**Keyword Search**

Search for *e.coli* in entire article content.

Search for *Bill Gates* in title, citation, and abstract.

Search for *rap music* in title, citation, and abstract.

**Advanced Search**

Find information on the shortage of teachers
*Ke (teacher* n5 shortage)*

Find cover stories on high school football
*Ke high school football and ti cover story*

Find movie reviews on the latest movies.
*Ke movies and ti reviews and da august 2000*