



# Student Resource Center Search Tips

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## How to use Student Resource Center

Use your library's Internet browser to go to the *Student Resource Center* URL. On the home page, you will find several search options. Note: SRC defaults to a Subject Search, but you can start with any search:

- For common topics, **Subject Search** gives you the most results
- Use **Keyword Search** for less common terms, such as proper names
- **Custom Search** lets you build a search using up to three fields
- Search within **People**, **Literature** and **Timeline Events**, for more topic-specific information

**Tip:** Click on "Search Tips," in the navigation bar, before getting started.



### SUBJECT SEARCH

The results include a listing of indexed terms that most closely match your search term(s) as well as selections for Overview Essays, Magazine and Newspaper Articles and Primary Source Documents. Only the first three matches are displayed. Click on "**View more**" for the full list. You can also mark your choices to save for later.

### KEYWORD SEARCH



Choose "**Keyword Search**" from the navigation bar, enter your search term(s) in the entry box and click "**Search**." Again, the first three matches will be displayed; you can click "**View more**" for the full list.

### CUSTOM SEARCH



You may enter search terms in up to three fields, using the search operators **and**, **or** and **not** to broaden or narrow your results. For each field you use, select the kind of search you want to make from the pull-down menu: Title/Headline, Source/Source Name, Author, Subject/Name, Full Text, Document Number or Document Type.

### PEOPLE



This is a narrower search than Subject Search. Select "**People**" from the navigation bar. You may search by Name or use the Identify a Person category, which finds a person by Name, Occupation, Nationality, Ethnicity, Birth Year, Death Year, Birth Place, Death Place and Gender.

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Click on "**Literature**," and you can search within one or all of several categories: Author Biographies, Title Search, Encyclopedia of Literature and Literary Eras.

### TIMELINE EVENTS



Use this search to find topics using a Specific Year, one or more Decades, one or more Centuries or by Timeline Event.

### TOOLS



On the home page and during your search, you will find more tools to help you. They include:

- Revise Search
- Help
- Search Tips
- Merriam-Webster's® Collegiate Dictionary
- Merriam-Webster's® Biographical Dictionary
- Merriam-Webster's® Geographical Dictionary

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