Resources for Teaching/Learning Research in Classroom

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**How to (for students and teachers)**

[**A+ Research & Writing**](http://www.ipl.org/div/aplus)

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Step by step information and tutorials on researching and writing a paper from the Internet Public Library for Teens. Additional links to online writing labs.

**Kathy Schrock’s Guide to Everything**

<http://www.schrockguide.net/>

Portal page to technology resource support sites with clear navigation. Includes *Assessments and Rubrics*, *Critical Evaluation, Information Literacy, Intellectual Property, Connecting Your Classroom* (advanced searches and all things tech), and much more. Worksheets, videos, tutorials.

**Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL)**

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>

Large repository for writing resources and instructional materials. Use site map to browse breadth of information. Hint: bookmark favorites!

**Teaching with Primary Sources**

**Library of Congress – Teachers**

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/>

A series of lessons, models and materials to use students when teaching with primary sources. *Using Primary Sources* includes videos of best practice and student analysis worksheets. *Classroom Materials* has lesson plans, themed resources, and printable primary source sets.

**National Archives - Teachers**

<http://www.archives.gov/education/index.html>

Similar to Library of Congress site (see above). Use index at bottom of home page to find information quickly.

**Finding Primary Sources and Government Documents**

(Search Tip: +topic+”primary sources”)

**Major University Collections (examples)**

**Duke University**

<http://library.duke.edu/specialcollections/>

**Brigham Young University**

<http://eudocs.lib.byu.edu/index.php/Main_Page>

Collection of European documents

**Cornell University**

<http://cdl.library.cornell.edu/moa>

**Map Collections (examples)**

**Boston Public Library**

<http://maps.bpl.org/>

**The Perry Castaneda Collection**

<http://www.lib.utexas.edu/maps>

This is one of the best!

**David Rumsey Map Collection**

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

The work area allows user to examine maps closely. If you create user account (free) you can save maps for future reference.

**Museums (examples)**

Major ones have digital collections. Most have extensive teacher resources and interactive student activities.

**The British Museum**

<http://www.britishmuseum.org/>

Effective advanced search allows you to find objects quickly. This is a good tool for searching with filters and Boolean choices. Teaching resources and links are good. Interactive activities include primary artifacts.

**Boston Museum of Science - educators**

<http://www.mos.org/educators>

**Government Documents**

**The Library of Congress**

<http://www.loc.gov/index.html>

The premiere US site for government documents.

**Online Professional Development from Library of Congress**

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/professionaldevelopment/selfdirected/>

Short modules that are informative to practice. (Expected time of lesson is extraordinarily generous.)

**Fed Stats**

<http://www.fedstats.gov/>

Wealth of data for charts, graphs, and maps.

Idea: use with Google’s beta tool, Fusion Tables <http://www.google.com/fusiontables/Home/>

**National Archives**

<http://www.archives.gov/>

Spend some time navigating the site and finding what is most useful to you. Bookmark favorites!

You will find teacher tools, detailed search options, links to kid-friendly portals, etc…

**Michigan's Clark Library**

<http://www.lib.umich.edu/clark-library>

Portal for searching government documents that may be easier to use than National Archives. Use index on left side of home page to find your way.

**The British Library**

<http://www.bl.uk/>

This is the equivalent of our Library of Congress.