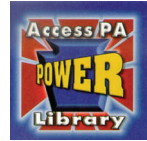
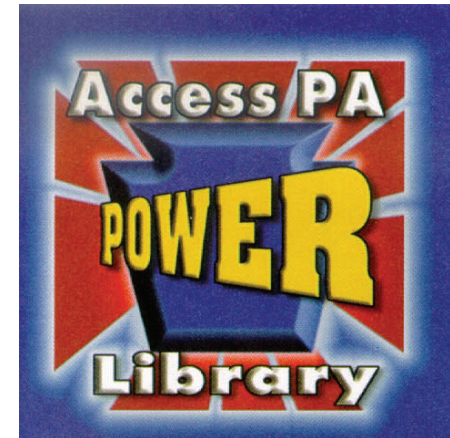


## How To Access the POWER Library Databases

1. Go to your local library's website and click on the POWER Library icon:



2. When requested, type in your library card number. Please contact your library if the number is not working or if you do not have a library card.
  3. Subjects are shown by Resource Blocks. Click on a database under a Resource Block.
  4. Type in your search term then scroll down the page to select search options. Clicking on Full text, Search for related Words, Search within the Full Text of the Articles and Automatically 'And' Search Terms will enhance your search on most databases. Enclosing a string of words within quotation marks will ensure that search results deliver items with the words in that specified order.
  5. Click the search button, click go or press enter to activate your search
  6. Some databases may ask you to select additional options in lieu of entering search terms.
  7. Results may be printed, emailed or saved to disc.
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# POWER Library Resources

The POWER Library is a service of Pennsylvania's public libraries, school libraries and the State Library. The POWER library provides access to thousands of full text periodical articles, newspapers, a major encyclopedia, plus photographs, pictures, charts, maps, and reference materials for people of all ages.



### Access Pennsylvania Database

Catalog holdings of over 3,000 Pennsylvania school, public, academic and special libraries are included in this database. Search by author, title, subject or keyword to locate over 50 million items.

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### AccuNet/AP® Multimedia Archive

More than 500,000 current and historical photographs and graphics can be searched by date, place and subject. More than 800 photographs are added to the archive daily.

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### Biography Reference Bank

Links to biographical articles on over 470,000 individuals. Full text articles, abstracts and photographs are available from periodicals, feature articles, interviews, essays, performance reviews, speeches and obituaries.

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### Contemporary Authors

A guide to current writers of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, journalism, drama, motion pictures and television. Biographies of these authors are included.

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### Brodart Automation's DartClix

Collection of over 18,000 professionally selected and cataloged, high-quality websites designed to enhance curriculum support in schools and patron research in public and academic libraries. The DartClix records containing multiple fields are loaded into the Access PA Database where they may be searched, and then link users to the websites.

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### GROVE music Grove Music Online

Provides access to the complete text of the 29-volume New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians and the New Grove Dictionaries of Opera and Jazz. Links are available to musical sites on the Internet; some examples use Sibelius (music notation software.)

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### LitFinder

Provides a wealth of primary literature content, including more than 126,500 full-text poems, 850,000 poem citations and excerpts, 5,000 full-text short stories, 2,800 full-text essays, 1,800 full-text speeches, and 1,000 full-text plays. LitFinder also includes biographies, work summaries, photographs, and a glossary.

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### netLibrary

netLibrary eBooks contain full text searchable fiction and nonfiction books. Entries for all ages are available for use on personal computers in online formats.

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### Oxford Reference Online

Oxford Reference Online Premium Collection contains resources offered by acclaimed titles in the Oxford Companions series. It offers materials such as maps, illustrations, timelines, information on many subjects including general reference, language and quotations, science and medicine, humanities and social sciences, business and professions. Over 130 dictionaries, language reference and subject reference works published by Oxford can be found here.

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### SIRS Discoverer

Includes full text articles and images from over 1,600 domestic and international newspapers, magazines and government documents. Articles are assigned a reading level –Easy, Moderate or Challenging– based on age-appropriateness, educational content, interest and reading level. This database is an excellent student resource.

### Searchasaurus

Suggested for children, this resource includes an encyclopedia, an encyclopedia of animals, magazine searches for primary and middle school grade levels, a dictionary, photos, maps and flags. A good homework resource.

### Student Research Center (6-12)

The Student Research Center (SRC) is EBSCO's interface designed for students in grades 6 through 12. SRC provides students in secondary schools with the most appropriate research tools to easily obtain the information that they need from their EBSCO databases. Students can easily pre-determine which content sources (e.g., Magazines, Newspapers, Biographies, Country Reports, Film & Video) will be included with their search. They can also search their databases by topic heading, make use of an online dictionary and encyclopedia, explore the top searches of the day, and even limit their search according to appropriate Lexile reading levels.

### Teacher Reference Center (TRC)

This index of over 260 titles from the most popular teacher and administrator trade journals, periodicals, and books is now also offered **free** via the EBSCOhost platform. This database provides coverage on key education topics such as Assessment, Continuing Education, Current Pedagogical Research, Curriculum Development, Instructional Media, Language Arts, Literacy Standards, Science & Mathematics, and more.

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### Facts For Learning

The Elementary School Module teaches younger students how to ask questions, use core reference resources, understand indexes, choose research topics, search online, and read charts and graphs. The Middle School Module provides content written for students in grades 5 and above and is designed for students able to use a more sophisticated format.

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### Grove Art Online

Provides access to the complete text of the 34-volume *Dictionary of Art* and the *Oxford Companion of Western Art*. Newly-commissioned articles and links to images from galleries and museums from around the world are included.



A comprehensive periodicals and reference database including:

### EBSCO Animals

Find in-depth information including the nature and habitat of familiar animals. Indexes, abstracts and full text formats are available. This database is designed for children's interest in the world of animals.

### Auto Repair Reference Center

Contains the complete automotive repair manuals that were originally published in the *Chilton Total Car Care Series*. Most major manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles are listed. Repair information is available for most manufacturers as far back as 1954 to the present.

### Book Collection: Nonfiction

A research database containing full text and abstracts for 1000 popular nonfiction books. Full text articles on literature, social studies, history and science are available and career, health, sports, adventure and technology information is also included.

### Business Searching Interface

A highly focused user interface created especially for the business searcher. This is an easy way to both browse and search for country economic data, company profiles, industry information and market research.

### Business Source Premier

Provides full text articles from general business magazines, trade publications, business journals and business publications with an international scope. Some titles start as far back as 1985 and more than 200 journals have PDF full text materials back to 1965 or first issue published. Over 10,000 company profiles are included. Topics include accounting, management, marketing, economics, finance, international business and more.

### Consumer Health Complete (CHC)

An interface designed for the everyday consumer of health care information. Provides convenient access to easily understandable health and medical information.

### ERIC

The Educational Resource Information Center (ERIC) provides full text of 2,200 digests in addition to citations and abstracts from over 980 education or education-related journals.

### EBSCOhost

Click on this link to access all the EBSCO host databases.

### EBSCOhost Español

A Spanish version of the EBSCOhost databases.

### **Funk & Wagnall's New World Encyclopedia**

Over 25,000 encyclopedia entries are provided.

### **History Reference Center**

History Reference Center is a history reference database that features cover-to-cover full text for more than 750 historical encyclopedias and other non-fiction books, full text for nearly 60 leading history periodicals, 58,000 historical documents, 43,000 biographies of historical figures, more than 12,000 historical photos and maps and 87 hours of historical film and video

### **Health Source Plus: Consumer Edition**

Search for information on medicine, food and nutrition, childcare, sports medicine and general health. Over 200 general health publications and more than 190 journals can be searched, including Consumer Reports on Health and Men's Health.

### **Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition**

Full text articles from nearly 600 medical journals are provided. Abstracts and indexing is available from nearly 850 medical journals.

### **Kids Search (K-5)**

Kids Search is EBSCO's interface designed for students in grades K through 5. Kids Search provides elementary school students with an easy-to-use, graphically-appealing interface they can use to search their EBSCO databases. The interface facilitates searching by topic, enabling users to easily enter keywords, or select topics or subtopics to search, from the Basic Search screen.

### **LISTA**

EBSCO Publishing is proud to provide the *Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts* (LISTA) database as a **free** resource to anyone interested in libraries and information management. This world-class bibliographic database provides coverage on subjects such as librarianship, classification, cataloging, bibliometrics, online information retrieval, information management and more. Delivered via the EBSCO*host* platform, LISTA indexes more than 600 periodicals plus books, research reports, and proceedings. With coverage dating back to the mid-1960s, it is the oldest continuously produced database covering the field of information science.

### **MAS Online Plus**

General interest and current events magazines are indexed and abstracted. Full text articles are available for nearly 300 publications and 400 pamphlets. Some full text reference books are also available.

### **MasterFILE Premier**

Covering virtually every general interest subject area, this database provides full text information dating as far back as 1975. Reference books, biographies, primary source documents, and a collection of photos, maps and flags are included.

### **Middle Search Plus**

Suggested for middle and junior high research, full text information is available from more than 150 magazines – some from as far back as 1990. All articles are assigned a reading level indicator (Lexile.)

### **Newspaper Source**

Selected full text articles are available from over 180 regional U.S. newspapers, international newspapers, newswires, newspaper columns and other sources. Indexing and abstracts are available for national newspapers.

### **NextReads**

Book suggestions by email. Subscribe to newsletters based on genre. Links from the newsletter link directly to the Access PA database.

### **NoveList**

Includes fiction authors, titles and themes. Provides suggestions of books that are similar to those of a particular author or a certain title. Expand your reading horizons with NoveList. Librarians can use this database as a readers' advisory service to assist patrons who enjoy fiction. Teachers can use this resource for enhancement of curriculum.

### **NoveList K-8**

Information about more than 38,000 fiction titles of interest to students in grades K-8. Full text reviews from professional journals and book talks for selected titles are available in this database. A good resource to expand student reading interest by introducing new authors or additional books in a subject area.

### **Primary Search**

Suggested for elementary school research, full text information is available from more than 60 magazines – some from as far back as 1990. All articles are assigned a reading level indicator (Lexile.)

### **Professional Development Collection**

Designed for professional educators, 550 full text journals are included in the collection.

### **Regional Business News**

Provides comprehensive full text coverage for regional business publications. Regional Business News incorporates coverage of 75 business journals, newspapers and newswires from all metropolitan and rural areas within the United States.

### **Salud en Español**

Spanish version of Consumer Health Complete.