



This guide lists the online database resources available to users of the San Diego Public Library. ✓ Our **RECOMMENDED** databases are noted on the list with a checkmark (✓). To use these resources, visit our SDPL Web site, at

<http://www.sandiegolibrary.org/catalog-databases/>, and select the database you wish to search. **Most current lists are online.**

The databases are available at Central, Branches, and Remote (home); some are only available at our libraries; and, some just at Central Library. Remote use requires your Library Card, and some resource access may require a PIN. See the Web site or any library staff member to request a Library Card application.

Databases by Title

A

✓ **Academic OneFile** (Gale) Academic OneFile is an excellent source for millions of peer-reviewed, full-text articles from the world's leading journals and reference sources, with extensive coverage of the physical sciences, technology, medicine, social sciences, the arts, theology, literature, and other subjects.

The African American Experience (Greenwood/ABC-CLIO) Research tool for African American history and culture, which provides a wealth of information from authorities in the field and African Americans themselves. The database includes more than 400 titles, 3,000 slave narratives, over 2000 images, 5,000 primary sources, and 250 vetted Web sites. It was designed under the guidance of leading librarians and gives voice to the black experience from its African origins to the present day.

The American Indian Experience (Greenwood/ABC-CLIO) Resources exploring the histories and contemporary cultures of the indigenous peoples of the United States, from prehistory to the present day, from the Inuit of the north to the Seminoles of Florida.. Full-text access to an online library, featuring more than 150 volumes of reference content, hundreds of primary documents, and thousands of images.

✓ **Ancestry Library** (ProQuest) Resources for genealogical and historical research, with more than 1.5 billion names in over 4,000 databases, including U.S. Census; military records; court, land and probate records; vital and church records; directories; passenger lists, more. Updated daily. (@SDPL Locations only)

B

Biography and Genealogy Master Index (Gale) Indexes biographical information on multiple persons from print source, also acts as an index to other indexes. More than 13.6 million biographical entries.

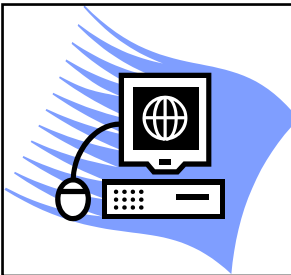
✓ **Biography Resource Center** Over 300,000 full and over 900,000 capsule biographies, plus related articles.

Books & Authors (Gale) A reader's advisory database offering new ways to explore combinations of books, authors, genres and topics. Contains all of the content in series "What Do I Read Next," and more.

✓ **Books in Print (Patrons/Library Users)** Publication information on 5.6 million book, audio book, and video titles.

Books in Print (Professional/Staff) - Professional bibliographic database with 5.6 million book, audio book, and video titles, including reviews.

Books in Print - Spanish (Bowker) Identifies and describes in-print, forthcoming, audio, video, and out-of-print Spanish-language titles. (Español) Spanish Books in Print ofrece reseñas de libros, videos, y música en Español. El idioma en que se encuentra la información en la base de datos es Inglés.



✓ **Business & Company Resource Center** (Gale) Access a wide variety of global business information; research business case studies, find competitive intelligence, and search for career

and investment opportunities. Provides job seekers with information on prospective employers.

C

Communications and Mass Media Collection (Gale) Database with current, accurate information from more than 100 journals focused on all aspects of the communications field.

Computer Database (Gale) Includes computer related product introductions, news, articles, and reviews in areas such as hardware, software, electronics, engineering, communications and the application of technology.

Culinary Arts Collection (Gale) Articles from 150 of the major cooking and nutrition magazines. Includes thousands of searchable recipes, restaurant reviews, and industry information.

✓ **Curriculum Resource Center** (Facts on File) For middle school, high school, and junior college teachers and students. Homework support handouts for history, civics, geography, sports, science, and more.

Curriculum Resource Center - Junior Edition (Facts on File) For elementary teachers and students. Homework support handouts for history, civics, geography, sports, science, and more.

Custom Newspapers Collection (Gale) Searchable collection of 150 national and international newspapers, including local and California newspapers.

D, E

Daily Life America (Greenwood/ABC-CLIO) Information about day-to-day lives of average Americans, past and present. With reference works, primary documents, over 1,000 photos/drawings/maps, and audio clips.

✓ **Daily Life through History** (Greenwood/ABC-CLIO) Helps you find the extraordinary in the ordinary throughout history and culture. Contains series such as "Tours through Time," "History of Modern Nations," "Food Culture," and "Cultures and Customs of the World."

Diversity Studies Collection (Gale) Use to explore cultural differences, contributions and influences in our global

community. Includes 150 full-text journals and articles.

Educator's Collection (Gale) Resources for future or current teachers and administrators. Includes over 250 titles covering the latest technologies, developments, instruction, and coaching breakthroughs.

Encyclopaedia Judaica - 2nd Edition (Gale) eBook version of 22 vol. print encyclopedia, covering all aspects of the Jewish world and Judaism. Articles and multimedia on religion, history, politics, culture, the Holocaust, Jewish arts and literature, Jews in America, and more.

Environmental Studies & Policy Collection (Gale) Covers the field of environmental studies, issues, and policies, including 200+ journals and full-text articles on the environment.

Essay and General Literature Index (Wilson) A convenient digital guide to some 65,000 essays in anthologies and collections. (@Central Library only)

F

Fiction Connection (Bowker) Looking for your next good read? Use this reader's advisory service, Fiction Connection, to discover titles similar to those you already enjoy. Or, browse titles by topic, genre, setting, character, location, and timeframe.

Fine Arts & Music Collection (Gale) 100+ full-text magazines and journals, providing access to resources in areas such as drama, music, art history, and filmmaking.



G

✓ **Gale Directory Library** (Gale) Cross-searchable online directories. Includes Encyclopedia of Associations (U.S.) and Gale Directory of Publications and Broadcast Media.

✓ **Gale Virtual Reference Library** (Gale) Includes encyclopedias and specialized reference sources for multidisciplinary research. Titles are cross-searchable.

Gardening, Landscape, & Horticulture Collection (Gale) Provides 50+ journals and articles, covers the practical aspects as well as the scientific theory and research in horticulture.

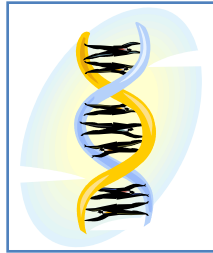
Gazetteer of the World (Columbia University Press) A directory of places, landmarks, natural features, and more.

✓ **General OneFile** (Gale) Contains academic journal articles, magazine articles, and reference texts on a wide range of general and special topics, covering generally 1980 to the present. Formerly called InfoTrac.

General Science Collection (Gale) Provides coverage of all types of scientific inquiry, including particle physics, quantum theory, advanced mathematics, and biotechnology.

Government Documents Catalog (MARCIVE) Catalog of U.S. Government Documents, covers July 1976-present. (@SDPL Locations only)

H



✓ **Health and Wellness Resource Center** (Gale) Health and medical information for lay research from periodicals, reference books, and pamphlet sources. Includes Alternative Health.

✓ **Health Reference Center Academic** (Gale) General academic health-related database, full-text access to nursing and allied health journals and articles, plus coverage of personal health information.

Historical Newspapers - Graphical (ProQuest) A graphical version, aimed at students and teachers, of the historical *The New York Times*, from Sep 18, 1851 to Dec 31, 2006. Includes Topic and Timeline Browse; This Day In History; Famous Dead People; and, What Happened On.

✓ **History Study Center** (ProQuest) Access to primary and secondary sources for the study of history, with 40,000+ documents and articles, 50+ reference works, 3,000 images, and links to 2,000 Web sites.

Home Improvement Collection (Gale) Provides access to home improvement related journals and articles, covering architectural techniques, tool and material selection, zoning requirements, and more.

✓ **Hoover's Company Capsules & Profiles** (ProQuest) Company descriptions, financials, key officers, and news for more than 17,000 public and private enterprises worldwide.

Hospitality, Tourism & Leisure Collection (Gale) Access 500+ industry journals and articles. Provides coverage of both the historical and current state of affairs in the hospitality and tourism fields.

I

Information Science and Technology Collection (Gale) Searchable collection of journals and articles on information science and libraries.

¡Informe! (Gale) Periódicos y revistas hispanas. Also, English interface.

InfoTrac Junior (Gale) For students in junior high and middle school, with magazines, newspapers and reference books (most are full-text) for information on current events, the arts, science, popular culture, health, people, government, history, sports and more. Graphical.

Issues: Understanding Controversy and Society (Greenwood/ABC-CLIO) This database helps researchers develop an in-depth understanding of how society shapes and is shaped by controversial issues—with authoritative historical context, expert perspectives, and carefully selected primary and secondary sources covering the most enduring and timely issues of the day.

L**The Latino American Experience** (Greenwood/ABC-CLIO)

Dedicated to the history and culture of Latinos. Designed, developed, and indexed under the guidance of Latino librarians and library directors, the database includes maps, images, audio clips, interviews, music files, speeches, documents, and other material in English and Spanish, plus links to vetted Web sites.

Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts

(LISTA) (EBSCOhost) Mid '60s-present. Subjects covered include librarianship, classification, cataloging, bibliometrics, online information retrieval, information management, and the information industry. LISTA indexes more than 600 periodicals, plus books, research reports, and proceedings.

✓ **Literature Resource Center** (Gale) Biographies, articles, criticism, overviews, glossary, and more on writers and literature.

Los Angeles Times (1985 - Dec, 1996) (ProQuest) *Los Angeles Times*, fulltext. Coverage: Jan 1, 1985 - Dec 3, 1996.

✓ **Los Angeles Times** (1996 - present) (ProQuest) *Los Angeles Times*, fulltext. Coverage: Dec 4, 1996 - present.

M✓ **Magazines and Journals List** (Serials Solutions)

Easy one-stop access to our magazine, journal, and serial collections. Use the List to search, browse, or explore magazine, journal, newspaper, periodical, or serial titles available from San Diego Public Library, either in print (in our libraries) or electronic format (in our databases).



Military & Intelligence Database (Gale) Designed for libraries serving military personnel, including basic reference materials that are updated annually, such as Columbia Electronic Encyclopedia and The World Almanac and Book of Facts.

Mitchell OnDemand Vehicle Database (Mitchell1) Service, diagnostics and estimating for vehicles online, 1983-current Domestic and Import Models, diagrams, tech bulletins, more.

N

✓ **NetLibrary eBooks** (OCLC) Collection of books viewable online.

✓ **New York Times Historical** (ProQuest) Complete run of *The New York Times*, from Sep 18, 1851 to Dec 31, 2006.

✓ **Newspapers - National and Regional** (ProQuest) National and regional newspapers. Includes *San Diego Union-Tribune*, *The New York Times*, and *The Wall Street Journal*.

✓ **NoveList** (EBSCOhost) Guide to suggested reading for all ages with reviews and other features.

✓ **NoveList K-8** (EBSCOhost) Find fiction titles for classroom use or reading including picture books, children's chapter books,

and young adult titles. Full-text book reviews, teacher resources, thematic units, and book talks are available. Search by theme, setting, instructional unit, and culture. For younger readers and teachers, updated monthly.

Nursing & Allied Health Collection (Gale) Provides the full-text of over 300 journals, magazines, and newsletters related to nursing and allied health fields.

O

✓ **Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center** (Gale) A complete one-stop source for information on social issues.

✓ **OverDrive eAudiobooks** (SDPL Digital Media Library) Online eAudiobooks, downloadable to PCs or portable devices. Includes fiction, non-fiction, travel, biography, classics, young adult, Spanish and children's titles.

✓ **Oxford English Dictionary** (Oxford University Press) Authoritative guide to English language meaning, history, usage, and pronunciation.

✓ **Oxford Music Online** (Oxford University Press) Formerly **Grove Music**, database includes the full text of several major music dictionaries, 50,000+ articles, 20,000+ biographies, links to music sites, and audible musical examples and sound files.

P, Q

Play Index (Wilson) This index database covers 30,000+ plays, 1949-present. Search keywords, monologues, casting, sets, etc. Includes one-act and radio/tv plays. Some online play texts are linked via the Internet.

✓ **Pop Culture Collection** (Gale) Provides journal articles and more for topics in the social sciences, history, art, or the liberal arts.

✓ **Pop Culture Universe** ((Greenwood/ABC-CLIO) From iPods to Elvis to Michael Jackson, research American and world popular culture, past and present. This resource includes full-text of more than 250 volumes of reviewed, published material comprising thousands of articles, fully indexed by a team of librarians and subject specialists.

Psychology Collection (Gale) Provides journal and article access for topics in the social sciences, history, art or the liberal arts, covering 100+ full-text journals including APA titles.

R

✓ **ReferenceUSA** (InfoUSA) U.S. business, residential, and healthcare telephone directories and more.

Religion & Philosophy Collection (Gale) Provides coverage for 250+ subject appropriate full-text journals and articles on faith, religious topics, and philosophy.

S

Salud para todos - en español (EBSCOhost) Información para temas médicos y relativos de la salud. Disponible en inglés, pero

los textos están en su mayoría en español. Also, English interface.

Sams Photofacts (Sams) Schematics for small consumer electronics including radios, TVs, stereos, and VCRs from 1946

to present. Includes diagrams, instructions and data for the repair technician.

San Diego Tribune, 1983-92 (ProQuest) Covers *San Diego Tribune*, 1983-92.

San Diego Union, 1983-92 (ProQuest) Covers *San Diego Union*, 1983-92.



✓ **San Diego Union-Tribune, 1992-Present** (ProQuest) *San Diego Union-Tribune*, as combined newspaper, full-text coverage from Feb 2, 1992 - present.

✓ **Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps** (ProQuest) Historic maps from 1867-1970. Provides access to 2448 large-scale maps of 573 California towns and cities. Users can manipulate, magnify, zoom, and layer maps from different years.

✓ **Science Online** (Facts on File) For students and teachers. Printable diagrams, definitions, biographies, experiments, timelines, and essays in specific subject areas such as earth science, biology, chemistry, weather, and more.

Short Story Index (Wilson) Find 70K+ short stories that have been published in anthologies, collections, and periodicals from 1984 to the present, many with links to the story's full-text. Updated monthly.

Small Business Collection (Gale) Designed by business school students and entrepreneurs, it includes 250+ journals with full-text articles that provide business insights, tips, strategies and success stories.

Social Studies Fact Cards - California (Toucan Valley) A series of research resources for quick reference for students in grades 4 through 8. The Fact Card topics are those California topics included in the social studies curriculum in California, such as California missions, tribes, etc.

✓ **Standard & Poor's NetAdvantage** (S&P) Financial reporting on investment devices, companies, industries, and the economy.

✓ **Student Research Center** - Easy search interface, designed for secondary school students, for magazines and journals from databases.

T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

Tax Forms - All States (Federation of Tax Administrators) State tax forms.

Tax Forms - California (Franchise Tax Board) California state tax forms.

Tax Forms - Federal (IRS) Federal tax forms.

✓ **Teacher Reference Center** (EBSCOhost) Indexes over 260 titles from the most popular teacher and administrator trade journals, periodicals, and books. Providing coverage on key education topics such as Assessment, Continuing Education, Current Pedagogical Research, Curriculum Development, Instructional Media, Language Arts, and more.

✓ **Testing & Education Reference Center** (Gale) Extensive information from Peterson's on two-year and four-year colleges. Includes practice tests like SAT, GRE, ACT, LSAT, MCAT, ASVAB. Covers scholarships and grants. Features Career Assessment, Resume Builder, and Careers Library.

United States at War (Greenwood/ABC-CLIO) This comprehensive database covers 14 conflict periods that have defined our nation from its earliest beginnings to today. It includes timelines, causes and consequences, and more than 4,000 authoritative reference entries, with biographies and discussions of important places, events, movements, ideas, artifacts, and organizations.

✓ **Vault Career Insider** (Vault, Inc.) Comprehensive career resource aimed at students, job changers, etc. featuring career and industry books. Also includes exclusive information on more than 3,000 companies, plus career advice articles and message boards. This database will be discontinued after 7/31/2010.

Vocations, Careers & Technical Education Collection (Gale) Access 400+ journals, find articles from general career guides to

highly specialized industry journals on jobs, careers, and technical education.

World Book Encyclopedia - Discover (World Book) "Discover" resource for students who read below level of their peers. Includes tools and content to bridge the achievement gap, with text-to-speech reading aloud. With a visual dictionary and sections on life skills such as buying a car, applying for a job, etc.



✓ **World Book Encyclopedia - Spanish** (World Book) Spanish online equivalent to the print encyclopedia World Book.

✓ **World Book Online For Kids** (World Book) General encyclopedia with simpler

navigation for children, thousands of colorful illustrations, diagrams, and maps, and dozens of activities tied to national curriculum standards. Public Library edition.

✓ **World Book Online Info Finder** (World Book) Online equivalent to the print encyclopedia, including a general encyclopedia, a Spanish encyclopedia, a Kids version of the encyclopedia, and an Advanced version with additional content. Public Library edition.

✓ **World Book Online Reference Center** (World Book) Advanced version, with over 1 million pages of primary source documents integrated with the encyclopedia content. Include timelines, citation builder, and saved research. Public Library edition.



✓ **WorldCat First Search** (OCLC) Find locations and information about millions of books, magazines, and other materials in libraries worldwide.

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