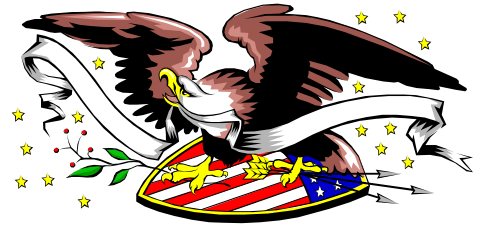


American History

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Finding Resources

Need Help?

- *Call the Library at 903-983-8237*
- *Come talk to a librarian*
- *Use the Ask-A-Librarian email service from the Library home page*
- *Use the Tutorials at the bottom of the library home page*
- *<https://library.kilgore.edu>*

You can find books using the library's online catalog. Or, you can use the online databases. I recommend that you search the following databases: **Academic Search Complete, Credo Reference, U.S. History (Gale OneFile), U.S. History (Gale in Context), JSTOR, and Westlaw. Opposing Viewpoints** may be helpful in some research.

If your topic is more than one word long, put it in quotation marks. This tells the database to search for the words as a phrase.

Be sure to mark the **Full Text** box, if you want to see the entire article. Some databases have a place for you to mark to see Primary Sources.

Academic Search Complete: This is an excellent general database. You can find information on just about anything in this database.

Credo Reference: This is a great place to find information on historical topics.

U.S. History (Gale OneFile): You can find articles from scholarly journals and

magazines on various aspects of history.

U.S. History (Gale in Context): You may want to use this database to find articles.

JSTOR: This database contains articles from many journals. You can narrow the search by subject area.

Westlaw: Come here to find court cases.

Opposing Viewpoints: If you are researching a controversial topic, this database will provide information on more than one side of the issue.

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Accessing the Library from Off-Campus

Current students can access the databases from home, if they have an internet connection. Just go to our website at <https://library.kilgore.edu>. Click on **Databases** under the **Search Resources** box. Select a database to search. As

you proceed, a screen will appear asking for your username and password. Your **username** is made up of the first four letters of your last name, the first four letters of your first name, and the last four digit of your KC ID.

Your **password** is the word "Student" and your four digit month and day of birth.

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Reference Materials



21st Century Political Science: A Reference Handbook (Ref. JA 66 .A11171 2011)

American Presidents (Ref. E 176.1 .A6563 2006)

Birth of the Bill of Rights (Ref. E 302.5 .W35 2004)

Colonial America: An Encyclopedia of Social, Political, Cultural, and Economic

History (Ref. E 162 .C573 2006)

Complete American Presidents Sourcebook (Ref. E 176.1 .M445 C73754 2001)

Defining Documents in American History: Civil War 1860-1865 (Ref. E 464 .C5827 2014)

Defining Documents in American History: Manifest

Destiny & the New Nation 1803-1859 (Ref. E 338 .M2781 2013)

Encyclopedia of the United States in the Nineteenth Century (Ref. E 169.1 .E626 2001)

Encyclopedia of US Foreign Relations (Ref. E 183.7 .E52 2002)

Books & Ebooks

Ebooks can be read from any computer, cell phone, or device connected to the Internet.

Books on many topics can be found from the library's home page using the library's online catalog.

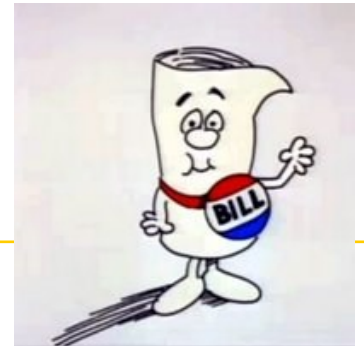
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To view an ebook, click **View eBook**. Next, click **Full Text**. Click **Search within** on the left sidebar. Enter your search terms in the box and Enter. Click on a page number to go to that page. Be sure to click on Detailed Record to

get the information you will need for your citations. Most databases offer a cite feature which will show you the correct citation for the source.



Primary Sources

What makes something a primary source? A primary source is generally a document that appeared at the time of a historical event.

Primary sources can be diaries or journals, letters, speeches, interviews, legal documents, court cases,

newspaper articles, photographs, census records, quotations, or transcripts of congressional procedures. They can be anything that comes from an eyewitness to the event.

Sometimes, a primary source can be found in a

secondary source. This can occur when a primary source is quoted in a secondary source.

Wherever you find your sources, always remember to get the citation information!