

## How to Begin Research

Compile a list of subject key words

Synonyms

Check the spelling

Start Small

Find between 5-10 resources that match your subject. Analyze these sources for your paper before gathering additional information.

**Create a rough outline.** Based on the information you have already collected write down a summary of what you want to cover in your paper.

Where to Look for Information:

**Books** - in depth overviews or historic background on a subject.

**Database** - For scholarly research articles that give specific case data or recent developments in an area.

**Internet** - for demographic statistics or current information that has not yet been published academically.

## Writing Help

APA Dictionary of Statistics and Research Methods

BF 76.5 .A7263 2014

Practical Researcher: A Student Guide to Conducting Psychological Research

BF 76.5 .D864 2013

Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association

(Reserve Shelf)

Qualitative Psychology: a Practical Guide to Research Methods

BF 76.5 .Q3375 2011

Undergraduate Writing in Psychology: Learning to Tell the Scientific Story

BF 76.5 .F68 2013

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## Websites

American Psychological Association

[apa.org](http://apa.org)

National Institute of Mental Health

[nimh.nih.gov](http://nimh.nih.gov)

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

[samhsa.gov](http://samhsa.gov)

Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

[Dphhs.mt.gov/bhdd](http://Dphhs.mt.gov/bhdd)

Montana Health Data and Statistical Reports

[dphhs.mt.gov/statisticalinformation](http://dphhs.mt.gov/statisticalinformation)

National Center for Disease Control-Health Statistics

[cdc.gov/nchs/hus.htm](http://cdc.gov/nchs/hus.htm)

Office of Minority Health of US Department of Health and Human Services

[minorityhealth.hhs.gov](http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov)

US Census Bureau-Native American/Alaskan Native Information

[census.gov/aian/](http://census.gov/aian/)

## Databases

### EbscoHost Web

Academic Search Complete  
Social Sciences Full Text  
PsycARTICLES  
PsycBooks  
EBSCO Discovery Service

### Gale Power Search

Academic One File  
Info Trac Newsstand  
Psychology Collection

### NewsBank

Special Reports

### Ethnic NewsWatch

Health and Science  
MedLine  
ToxLine

## Journals

Counselor: The Magazine for Addiction Professionals

BF 637 .C6 M3

Journal of Counseling Psychology

BF 637 .C6 J6

Psychology Today

BF 1 .P79

## Books

The following are Library of Congress Call Numbers for possible Psychology research topics.

### BF: Psychology

BF 309-499 Consciousness

BF 511-593 Affection, Feeling,

Emotions

BF 636-637 Applied Psychology

BF 692-392.5 Psychology of Sexual

Behavior

BF 698-698.9 Personality

BF 712-724.85 Developmental

psychology: including infant, child, adolescent, and adult

### HV: Social Pathology

HV 5001-5720.5 Alcoholism

HV 5725-5770 Tobacco Habits

HV 5800-5840 Drug Habits

### RC: Internal Medicine

RC 435-571 Psychiatry

RC 552 Eating Disorders

RC 554-569.5 Personality disorders

and behavior problems, including sexual problems, drug abuse, suicide, and child abuse