

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 of 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

Call 406-275-4875 for off-campus database access

EDUCATION WRITING HELP

Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association

Reserve Shelf

Research Paper Handbook

LB 2369 . L395

How to Write Successfully in High School and College

LB 2369 .L385 2005

Using Sources Successfully

LB 2369 .H37 2005

Student Teaching and Field Experiences Handbook

LB 2157 .A3 R59 2002

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opi.mt.gov

Montana Content Standards and Instruction
opi.mt.gov/Curriculum/CSI/

Education World
educationworld.com

Smithsonian Source: Sources for Teaching
American History
smithsoniansource.org

Reading Rockets
readingrockets.org

Crayola
crayola.org

EPA Students
epa.gov/students

Soft School
softschools.com

teAchnology
teach-nology.com

Smithsonian Education
smithsonianeducation.org

Nattional Council of Teachers of Mathematics
nctm.org



Databases

Ebscohost

ERIC
Teacher Reference
Academic Search

Gale Infotrac

Academic One File
Educator's Reference
Psychology

NewsBank

Special Reports—Education
Around the World

Jstor

ProQuest & Ethnic NewsWatch

Kanopy



Journals

American Journal of Education
L 11 .S55

Child Development
HQ 750 .A1 C45
Child Development Perspectives
HQ 767.8 .C43

Journal of American Indian Education
E 97.1 .J68

Monographs of the Society for Research in
Child Development
HV 6545 .P487

Books

E 97 Native American Education
L Education

LB Theory/Practice
LB 1139.2 Early Childhood
LB 1501 Elementary Education
LB 1573 Reading
LB 1576 Writing
LB 1584 Social Studies
LB 1585 Science
LC Special Topics
LC 4015 Learning Disabilities

Q Science
Q181 General Secondary Science
QA 135.5 Elementary Math
QD 43 Chemistry
QH Natural Science
QH Biology