

Searching LOC.gov: Using the Global Search Box

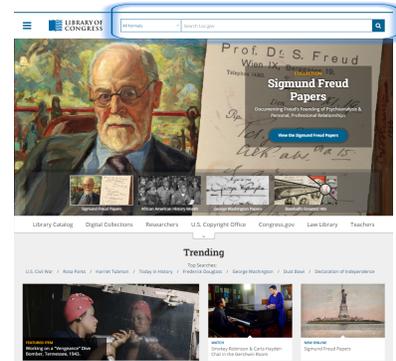


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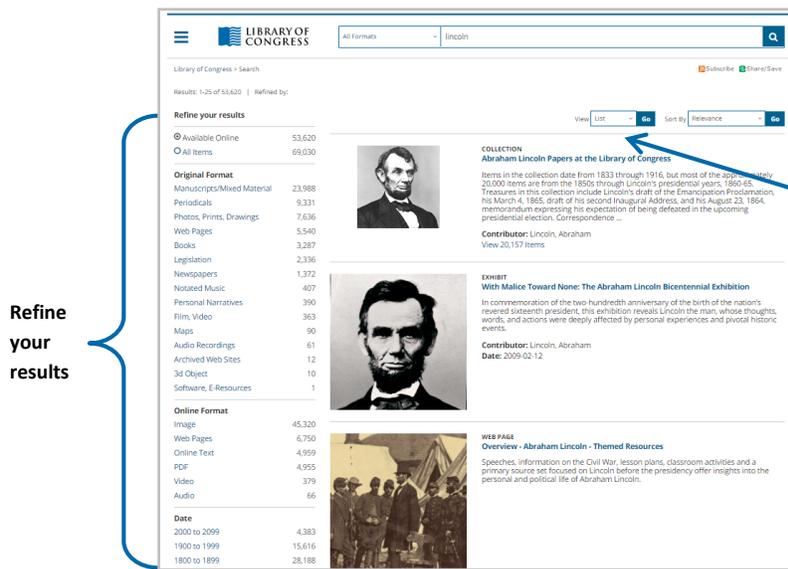
At LOC.gov you can access online collections that include such items as maps, photographs, paintings, images of artifacts, letters, diaries, newspapers, personal accounts of events, sheet music, sound recordings, and historic films for your students to explore and analyze.

For a broad search across LOC.gov, type a keyword in the global search box. Further refine by choosing a "Format"

The search results list will link to various types of resources related to your keyword, like an exhibit, a teacher resources webpage, catalog records that link to sources, presentations, webcasts, etc.



Example results page



Refine your results

TIP: When refining results, be sure to check "Available Online" under Access Condition.

Sorting and viewing options

Bibliographic Record



Expand your search results

Citation examples are at the bottom of the page!

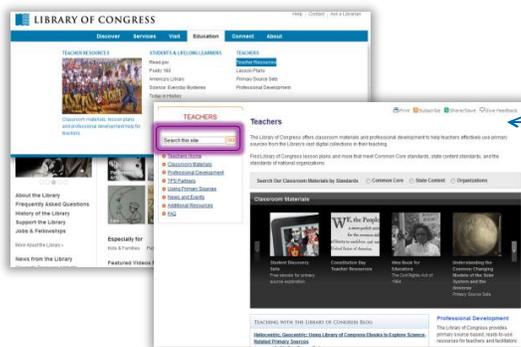
What is an bibliographic/item record?

An bibliographic/item record is comparable to a traditional library catalog card. In other words, most online bibliographic records include a title, the name(s) of the author(s) or other creator(s), and subject terms assigned by a cataloger or subject expert. They may also include other descriptive notes or information.

Bibliographic record examples:



Teacher Resources Page at the Library of Congress



The *Teacher Resources* page offers information and ideas on teaching with primary sources from the Library of Congress.

Use the "Search this site" box to locate teaching materials, or search by standard.

Search Our Classroom Materials by Standards Common Core State Content Organizations

Classroom Materials

Pathway: LOC.gov→Teachers→Classroom Materials

Create a teaching activity quickly with:

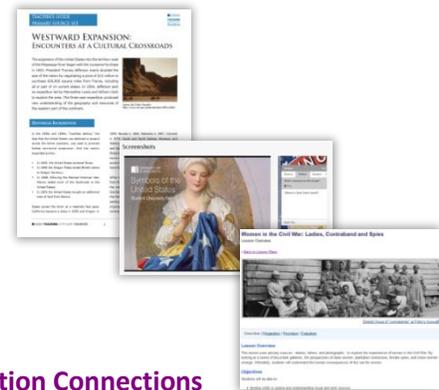
Primary Source Sets (Some sets are interactive ebooks!)

Presentations & Activities

Themed Resources

Adapt a lesson to fit your needs with **Lesson Plans**

Discover higher-order, source-based questioning with **Collection Connections**



Overview | History | Critical Thinking | Arts & Humanities

Using Primary Sources

Pathway: LOC.gov→Teachers→Using Primary Sources

Teacher's Guides and Analysis Tool

Pathway: LOC.gov→Teachers→Using Primary Sources→Teacher's Guides & Analysis Tool

Copyright and Fair Use- *For teachers*

Pathway: LOC.gov→Teachers→Using Primary Sources→Copyright & Primary Sources

How to Cite Electronic Sources

Pathway: LOC.gov→Teachers→Using Primary Sources→Citing Primary Sources



Connect!

The Teaching with the Library of Congress

Blog

blogs.loc.gov/teachers



The Teaching with Primary Sources

Journal

www.loc.gov/teachers/tps/journal



TPS
Teachers Network

<http://tpsteachersnetwork.org/>

Interact with K-12 teachers from all over to share primary sources and teaching ideas when using LOC.gov!

Highlights at LOC.gov



The highlighted areas below are located on the main page (LOC.gov).

Digital Collections



Search for a collection using the search box at the top of the page, or browse the collections by scrolling down.

View **"About the collection"** and if available, view **"Articles and Essays"** and **"Teaching Resources"** to learn more about the sources.

Direct link: <https://www.loc.gov/collections/>



Congress.gov

Congress.gov provides legislation from the 107th Congress (2001) to present, member profiles, videos on the legislative process, and links to the most important governmental documents in U.S. History



Under **"The U.S. Founding Documents,"** click on **"A gallery of study resources"** You can view a **"Congress.gov Introduction"** webcast at

Video- http://www.loc.gov/today/cyberlc/feature_wdesc.php?rec=6273

Direct link: <https://www.congress.gov/>

CONGRESS.GOV



Exhibits

Take a virtual tour of the Library's past and present curated exhibits



Scroll down to **Your Library, Exhibitions** > click on **"More Exhibitions"**>

In the left column, click **"All Exhibitions"**

Take advantage of the **"Special Presentations"** inside exhibits that are interactive!

Direct link: <http://www.loc.gov/exhibits>



The highlighted areas below are found on the Kids & Families Page.

Chronicling America

Explore a word-searchable collection of newspapers from 1789 -1922



View **"Recommended Topics"** in the left column

Use the **"Clip Image"** tool  to download or print a specific article

Direct link: <http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov>



Today in History

Explore American history day-by-day using primary sources from the Library of Congress



Select a different date using the calendar icon in the upper right portion of the page.

Direct link: <https://www.loc.gov/item/today-in-history>



Places in the News (*Also check out Places in History)

View contemporary maps from places that are making headlines



Access the archives of newsworthy places from 1999- present by choosing a date in the calendar (in the upper right corner of the page)

Direct link: <https://www.loc.gov/today/placesinthenews>





Veterans History Project

Experience first-person stories of wartime service through interviews and personal artifacts in the *Veteran's History Project*



To view selected veterans' stories, click the **"Experiencing War"** image and scroll down to **"View All Stories by Theme"**.

Direct link: <https://www.loc.gov/vets>



America's Library

Written with upper elementary students in mind, *America's Story from America's Library* is fun for people of all ages to explore!



To search by keyword (names, dates, events, places), click on **"★Search"**

Direct link: <http://www.americaslibrary.gov/index.html>



Read.gov

Resources to help young people unlock the power of reading



Visit **"Classic Books"** for young children and teens, and visit the **"Educators & Parents"** resources

Direct link: <http://read.gov>



Locate the highlighted resources below by searching for the listed title using the main search box at LOC.gov

Tip- Check the spelling if you cannot locate the highlighted resource.

World Digital Library

Explore primary sources from a global partnership of libraries, archives, museums, educational institutions, and international organizations



Click **"Explore"** to view sources by **place, time period, topic, type, language, or institution**

Direct link: <https://www.wdl.org/>



Lists of Images on Popular Topics

View a list of images on the following categories: History and Events, People, Architecture, and Themes



Click on popular educational topics like prohibition, slavery, civil rights, the Dust Bowl, women suffrage, vaudeville, baseball and more!

Direct link: <http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/listguid.html>



Collection Guides Bibliographies



Locate links to primary sources, collections, and background information on many popular topics. AKA Web Guides

Direct link: <https://www.loc.gov/rr/program/bib/bibguide.html>

