Guide to Planning your Research - SPEECH

Step 1: Define subject:

Handbooks:
The World's Great Speeches REF. PN 6121 .C65 1973

Encyclopedias:
In Our Own Words: Extraordinary Speeches of the American Century REF. PS 661 .I53 1999
Lend Me Your Ears : Great Speeches in History REF. PN 6122 .L4 1992

Finding Data on the Internet (Online)
NationMaster (Online)
Statistical Abstracts (Online)

Step 2: Vocabulary or Thesaurus

Dictionaries:
Speech Internet Dictionary
Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary REF. PE 1628 .M36
Britannica Academic (Online)
Oxford English Dictionary (Online)

Step 3: Sources of information: collections of books & videos (library catalog)
Gates Memorial Library Catalog

Overcoming stage fright in everyday life
Author: Ashley, Joyce.
Call Number: BF 575 .A6 A76 1996
Location: STACKS
Availability: Available for Circulation

The power of speech [Videorecording]
Author: Johnson, Karen.
Call Number: PE 1404 .P69 2004
Location: INQUIRE AT CIRCULATION DESK
Availability: Available for Circulation

Periodicals: magazines, newspapers & journals

Time AP 2 .T37 (display only)
Vital Speeches of the Day PN 61210 .V52 (stacks only)

PERIODICAL DATABASES

Online information databases are large, regularly updated collections of digitized information -- including but not limited to abstracts and full text articles from journals and newspapers, conference proceedings and submitted papers, dissertations, government reports, essays, book chapters, web pages, etc. The content is created by publishers who release print versions, then lease the rights to their information to database vendors. Database records are easy to search and retrieve because the content of each record has been analyzed and assigned appropriate subject headings, keywords, names, etc. New records are regularly downloaded from the producer of each database. Gates Memorial Library Databases

- Academic Search Complete
- American National Biography Online
- eBook Collection - EBSCO
- Encyclopedia Britannica
Research guides are located on the Gates Memorial Library Home Page. You may access them to link to Web Sites.

**Speech Resources on the Web** (associations, universities, organizations, etc.)

- American Rhetoric
- Best Information on the Net
- The Center for Public Integrity
- Gallup Poll
- Gifts of Speech: Women's Speeches from Around the World
- Policy Archive
- Polling Report.com
- The World's Famous Orations

**Citing Sources**

Each database provides “How to cite” for each article but these sites provide more information for citing various media (books, databases, websites, etc.)

The guides and links in this section will enable persons to properly use body citations and create works cited or bibliography pages.

- Citation Guides Resources Page
- APA Style
- MLA Style
- EasyBib MLA citation creator
- Referencing Tool
- Son of Citation Machine
- Turabian Style
- University of California Berkeley (APA, MLA, Chicago)

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