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"eLibrary provides accurate and relevant resources for student research. The site enables teachers and media specialists to differentiate instruction for a wide range of learners. ... The volume of materials and the new features make this a highly recommended purchase for schools."

— Alice Kurtz, *MultiMedia & Internet@Schools*

The screenshot shows the eLibrary search interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for Search, Topics, Publications, Reference, My List, Bookmarks, Slideshows, Timelines, and Quotes. Below the search bar, search results for 'global warming' are displayed, showing 1-25 of 400 results. A featured result is a slideshow titled 'Global Warming' with a sub-heading 'Alternative Energy'. The slideshow content includes a photograph of wind turbines and the text: 'Scientists around the world are sounding a clear and urgent warning, global warming is real, it is already under way and the consequences are totally unacceptable.' Below the image, there are navigation controls for the slideshow, including a 'PLAY' button.

ProQuest® Central K-12



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The screenshot shows the ProQuest Central K-12 search results page. At the top, there are navigation tabs for Basic, Advanced, Topics, Publications, and My Research. Below the search bar, search results for 'Global Contributions of African American Writers' are displayed. The results list two documents: 'Global Contributions of African American Writers: Using Poetry to Facilitate Connections Between Historical Periods and Students' Personal Experiences' and 'Can the Subaltern Speak? A Postcolonial, Existential Reading of Richard Wright's Native Son'. Each result includes the author, title, and publication information.

SIRS Discoverer®



For safe, kid-friendly online learning resources specifically designed for elementary and middle school students, look no further. SIRS Discoverer offers articles, images, and Web sites, all carefully selected for their educational relevance, age appropriateness, and readability. Content supports typical classroom projects, homework assignments, as well as fun activities and personal interest. The colorful interface is intuitive and easy to use for even the youngest students who are hard at work developing their research, writing, language, and computer skills.

The screenshot shows the SIRS Discoverer website interface. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation tabs for Search, Advanced Search, and Search Tips. Below the search bar, there are search options for Subject Headings and Keyword/Natural Language. A 'Browse Subject Tree' is visible on the left side, listing various subjects like Animals, Arts, Countries, Cultures, Drugs & Alcohol, Environment, Health & Human Body, History & Government, Kids Corner, Notable People, Personal Growth, Science, Social Issues, Sports, and Technology. On the right side, there is a 'Discoverer's Top Pick' section featuring 'The Neverending Story' and a 'Database Features' section with options like Pathfinders, Activities, and Biographies.

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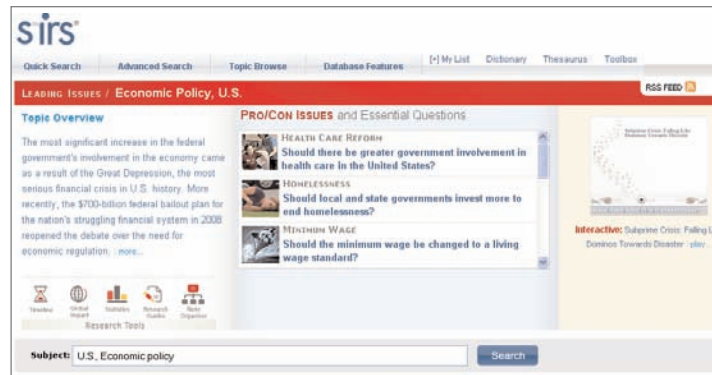
— Teachers' Choice Award, *Learning Magazine*

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— Jeffery Ringer, Director, David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, Brigham Young University

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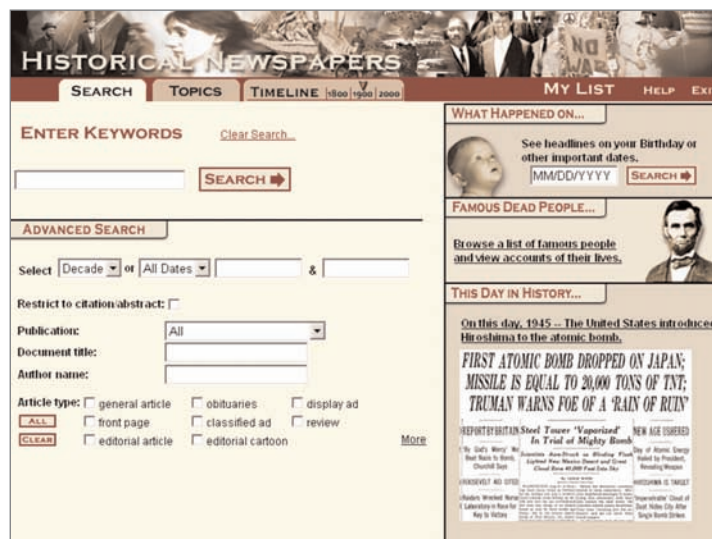


“Whatever the edition, [ProQuest] Historical Newspapers remains a fantastic resource for any school, public, or academic library. ProQuest has made a major contribution in providing a firsthand look at the U.S. and the world from 1764 to the present.”

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“SIRS Decades provides an impressive range of photographs, newspaper clippings, and memoranda, often classified as ‘Secret’ at the time. . . . SIRS Decades is an excellent and highly recommended database for use in the study of American History.”

— John Royce, *KnowledgeQuest*

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The screenshot shows the eLibrary Science interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for SEARCH, TOPIC, REFERENCE, INTERACTIVE, MY LIST, and BOOKCART. Below the navigation, there are options for printer friendly version, citation, email, and add to my list. The main content area is titled "Measurements: How High?" and includes a date "08-24-2007". The experiment "How High?" is described as follows: "The liquid in one tank will be poured into the other. Move the slider to PREDICT how high the liquid will be in the second tank. Then click Pour to check. Were you right?". The interface shows two rectangular tanks. The first tank has a base of 3x2 and is filled with green liquid to a height of 6. The second tank has a base of 2x2 and is currently empty. A slider below the second tank is set to 0.0. Below the tanks, there are buttons for "Pour" and "New Problem". The "Base:" section includes radio button options: Rectangular Tank, Cylinder, Cone -> Tank, and Cone -> Cone.

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The screenshot shows the ProQuest Learning: Literature interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for Authors, Criticism, Reference, Multimedia, and Literary Works. Below the navigation, there is a search bar and a "GO" button. The main content area is titled "Author Page" and is for Walt Whitman, 1819-1892. The page includes a "Home" link, a "Back to search results" link, and navigation buttons for "Previous result" and "Next result". There are also buttons for "Link to this page" and "Add to My List". The "Author Information" section includes: **Author Information:** **Dates of Birth/Death:** 1819-1892, **Gender:** Male, **Literary Periods:** American Realistic Period, 1865-1900; American Romantic Period, 1830-1865; Nineteenth Century, 1800-1899, **Nationality:** American / North American. There is a portrait of Walt Whitman on the right. The "Reference Shelf" section includes: **Dictionary**, **Thesaurus**, **Citation Guide**, **Help**, **Site Map**, **Contact Us**, and **Educators' Resources**. The "Educators' Resources" section includes: **Author's Biography** - an introduction to the author's life and works, **Search for Criticism** - journal and newspaper articles, **Search for Multimedia** - images, audio, video and web links, and **Search for Reference** - reference book articles on this author.

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The screenshot shows the Curriculum Pathfinders interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for Course Subjects, Math, Science, Social Studies, Language Arts, Fine Arts, and Health. Below the navigation, there are sections for "My Courses" and "Research Ideas". The "My Courses" section includes: American Literature, Composition, Creative Writing, Drama, English Literature, Journalism, History, American Literature, English Literature, 19th century, English Literature, Middle English (1100-1500), Literature, Medieval, Literary Canon, Literature, Modern, 20th century, Languages, Chinese, English as a Second Language, French, German, Spanish. The "Research Ideas" section includes: Ancient Philosophy, Beowulf, Charles Dickens, Children's Literature, Drama, Epic Literature, Fairy Tales, Feminist Literature, Fiction, Folk Tales, Graphic Novels, Great Gatsby, Identity, Irony, Literary Criticism, Maya Angelou, Medieval Literature, Moby Dick, Mythology, Plays, Poetry, Romanticism, Romeo and Juliet, Shakespeare, Short Stories, Story Elements (Plot), To Kill a Mockingbird, Utopian Literature. There are also sections for "How Do I?", "Literary Criticism and Interpretation", and "Featured eBook".

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