LAPL ELECTRONIC RESOURCE OF THE MONTH!

June 2012: Student Resources in Context

HOW DO I FIND THE Student Resources in Context?

In-Library and Home (Remote Access with a valid LAPL Library card)

Student Resources in Context is available online at all LAPL locations and remotely from the LAPL website in the Databases alphabetical list and under the subject categories of Education & Homework Gateway, General Information, History, Geography, Literature, Science & Technical, Social Sciences & Government, and Student Sources. It is also accessible in Teen Web under the Homework Help Sites subject categories of American History, Culture, Science, and World History.

DESCRIPTION:

Student Resources in Context integrates a multitude of content on core subjects from Science to Literature to History. The student-focused subject material contains 79,000 reference articles from acclaimed publications like American Decades, 15 million periodical and newspaper articles from the New York Times, U.S. News and World Report and others, 4,200 primary sources, 100,000 multimedia records, including carts, graphs, maps and tables, and video and audio content from NBC, NPR and other respected sources. This new expanded database replaces and includes content from the former Discovering Collection database.



The first page begins with a significant or timely series of revolving photos and a live link <u>View More</u> attached to each photo description that offers more information through *Featured Content, Reference, Primary Sources, Magazines, Critical Essays, News, Academic Journals, Websites, Videos, Images, Audio,* and *Related Topics*. The number and format of topics will depend upon the subject. The five radio buttons or arrows that appear on either side of the featured picture will move you on to the next featured photo. To the right of the photos is a clickable **Featured Video**. Speakers or earphones are required for the audio.

The remainder of the first page contains major **Topics** contained in the database under: **Biography, Geography, Government, History, Literature, Science & Health, and Social issues** (Sample shown below).

Biography	View All	Geography	View All
- Alice Walker UPDATED!		- <u>Afghanistan</u>	
- Bill Clinton UPDATED!		- Spain	
- William Shakespeare		- <u>Syria</u>	

If you click on the View All link associated with a major topic, the complete list of specific clickable subjects relating to that topic will display. On the left hand side, the major topics list from the first page will display, so you can easily open and view the subjects of the other topics.

► SPECIAL FEATURES <

1) Top Navigation Bar on each page.

Home Topics Maps Curriculum Standards Resources

Home returns you to the first page. **Topics** allows you to browse all. **Maps** focus on social issues in U.S. by state, use arrows to select picture (ex. AIDS). **Curriculum Standards** for the U.S.-National and States. **Resources** includes General (<u>Product Training Video</u> <u>Tutorials</u>), Teachers (free lesson plans), Students (tools for assignments), & Librarians Info.

2) **Search Box** in the upper right hand corner of every page



Designate here the format of your search results: *All, Reference, Images, Video, Audio* or *More* for other options (Primary Sources, Creative Works, News, Magazines, Academic Journals, Critical Essays, Case Overview, Plot Summary, or Websites). Select *Advanced Search* to limit by keyword, author, name, date, document and content type, content level, or lexile range. Search assist will offer other spellings and subjects to help find your information.

- 3) Listen Click on icon to hear text read aloud, select portions, or download to MP3.
- 4) **Tools** On practically every page a variety of tools are available:

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	Portuguese, Chinese (simplified) and Korean.
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	the page and can be retrieved later.

5) Featured Videos that enhance the subject.