

Researching with EBSCO



A user guide for the CAT Community

EBSCO: Online Database

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Step 1: Enter the CAT webpage and choose the "Library" page from the "School" menu.



Step 2: From the CAT Libraries webpage, select "EBSCO" and click anywhere on the EBSCO graphic to open EBSCO.



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Step 3: Log in to EBSCO using the information your librarian has already given to you.

Important User Information: Remote access to EBSCO's databases is permitted to patrons of subscribing institutions accessing from remote locations for personal, non-commercial use. However, remote access to EBSCO's databases from non-subscribing institutions is not allowed if the purpose of the use is for commercial gain through cost reduction or avoidance for a non-subscribing institution.

Step 4: Select the Student Research Center.

Supported Browsers
Recommended minimum screen resolution: 1024x768

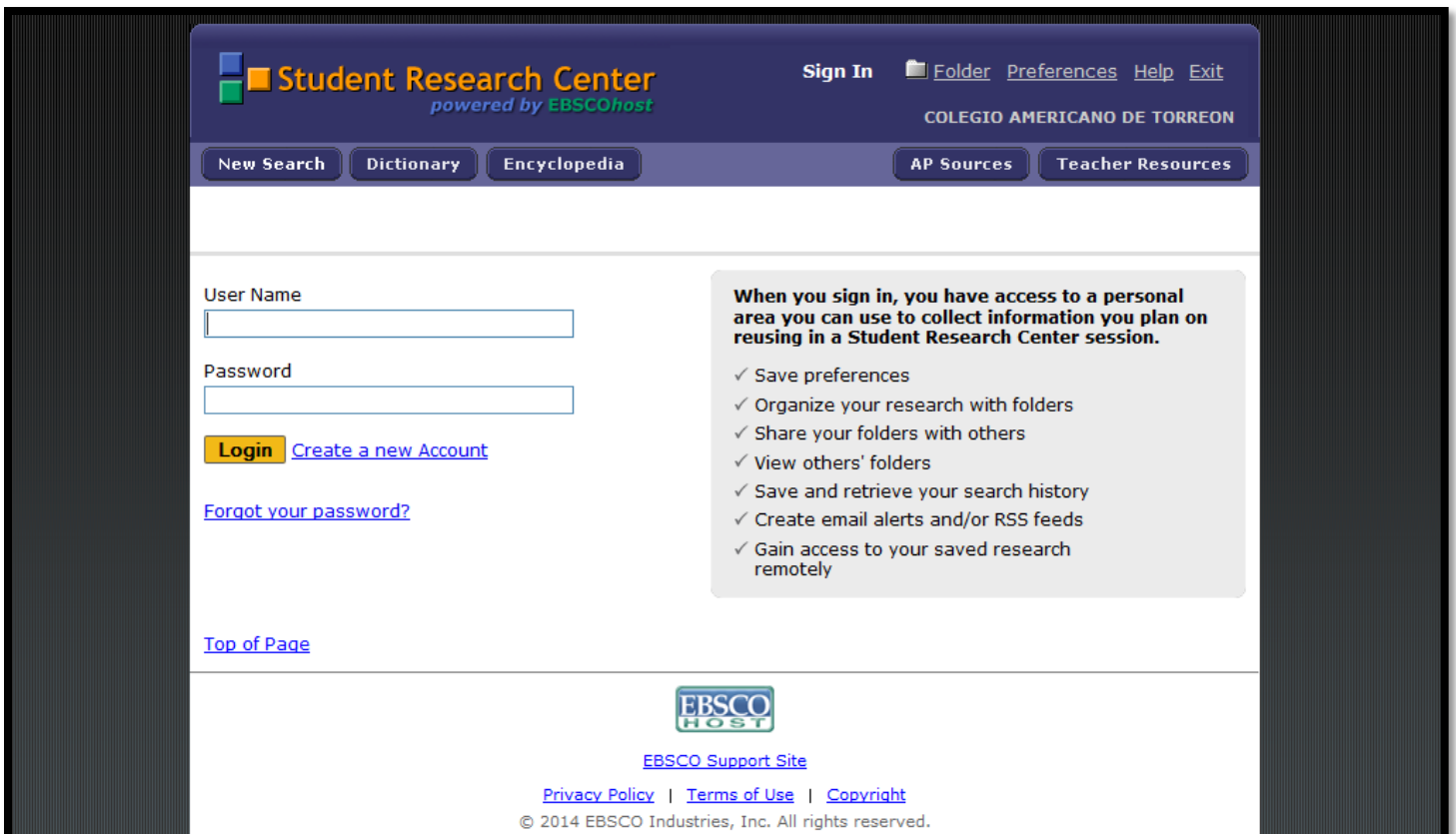
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Step 5: Click on "Sign In" in the top right corner.



The screenshot shows the Student Research Center homepage. The header includes the logo "Student Research Center powered by EBSCOhost" and the text "COLEGIO AMERICANO DE TORREON". Navigation buttons include "New Search", "Dictionary", "Encyclopedia", "AP Sources", and "Teacher Resources". A search bar is present with "Basic Search" and "Advanced Search" options. A red circle highlights the "Sign In" link in the top right corner, with a white arrow pointing to it. Below the search bar, there are sections for "SEARCH BY TOPIC" (listing various subjects like Arts & Media, English & Language Arts, etc.), "Include when searching:" (with a grid of categories like Magazines, Newspapers, Books & Encyclopedias, etc., each with a checked checkbox), and "Limit your results:".

Step 6: If you have an account, sign in and skip to step 9. If you haven't created an account before, use your Moodle login information so that it will be easy for you to remember your user name and password in the future.

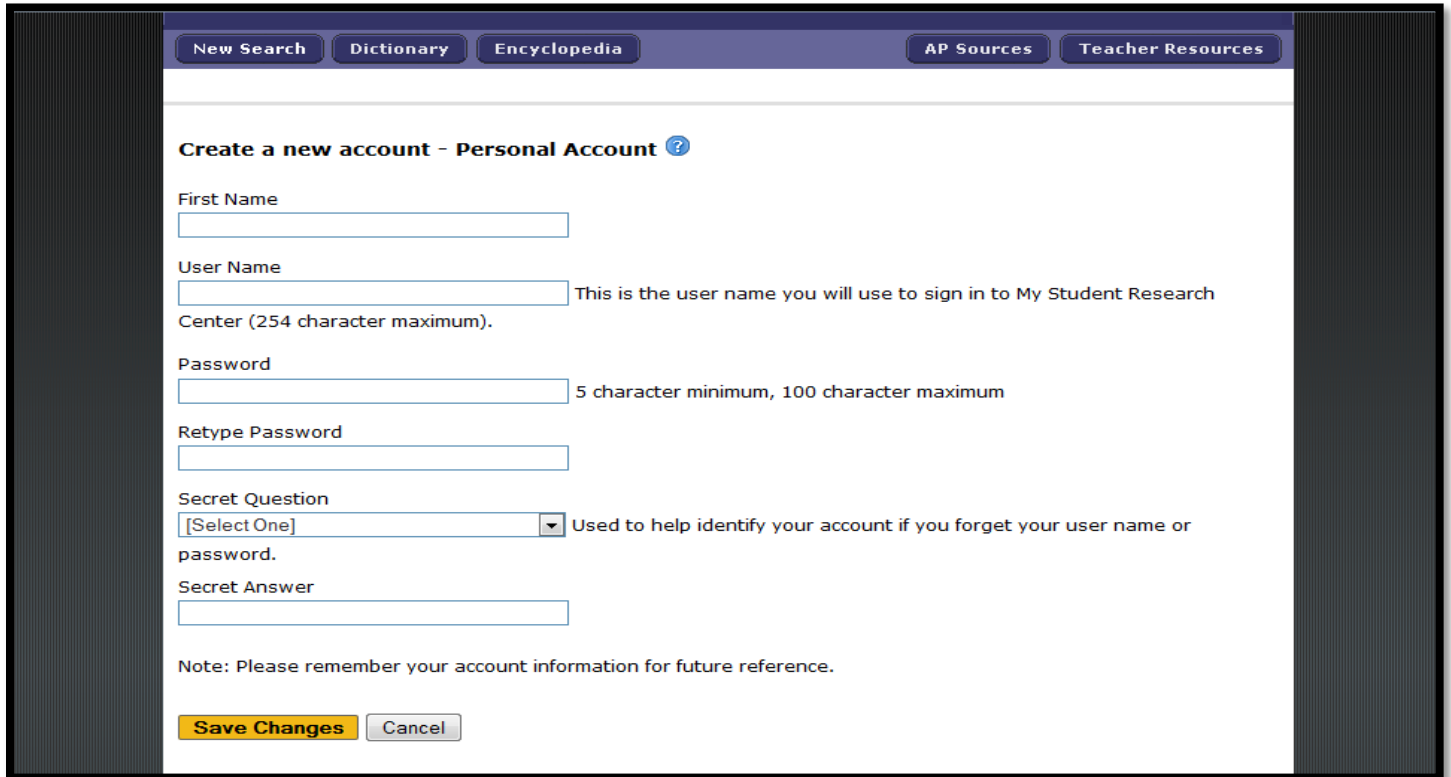


The screenshot shows the sign-in page of the Student Research Center. The header is identical to the previous screenshot. The main content area features a "User Name" field, a "Password" field, a "Login" button, and a link to "Create a new Account". Below these fields is a link for "Forgot your password?". To the right of the login fields is a grey box with the text: "When you sign in, you have access to a personal area you can use to collect information you plan on reusing in a Student Research Center session." followed by a list of benefits: "Save preferences", "Organize your research with folders", "Share your folders with others", "View others' folders", "Save and retrieve your search history", "Create email alerts and/or RSS feeds", and "Gain access to your saved research remotely". At the bottom of the page, there is a "Top of Page" link, the EBSCO HOST logo, a link to "EBSCO Support Site", and links for "Privacy Policy", "Terms of Use", and "Copyright". The footer text reads "© 2014 EBSCO Industries, Inc. All rights reserved."

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Step 7: To create a new account, enter your first name and use your Moodle account information so it will be easy to remember your user name and password.

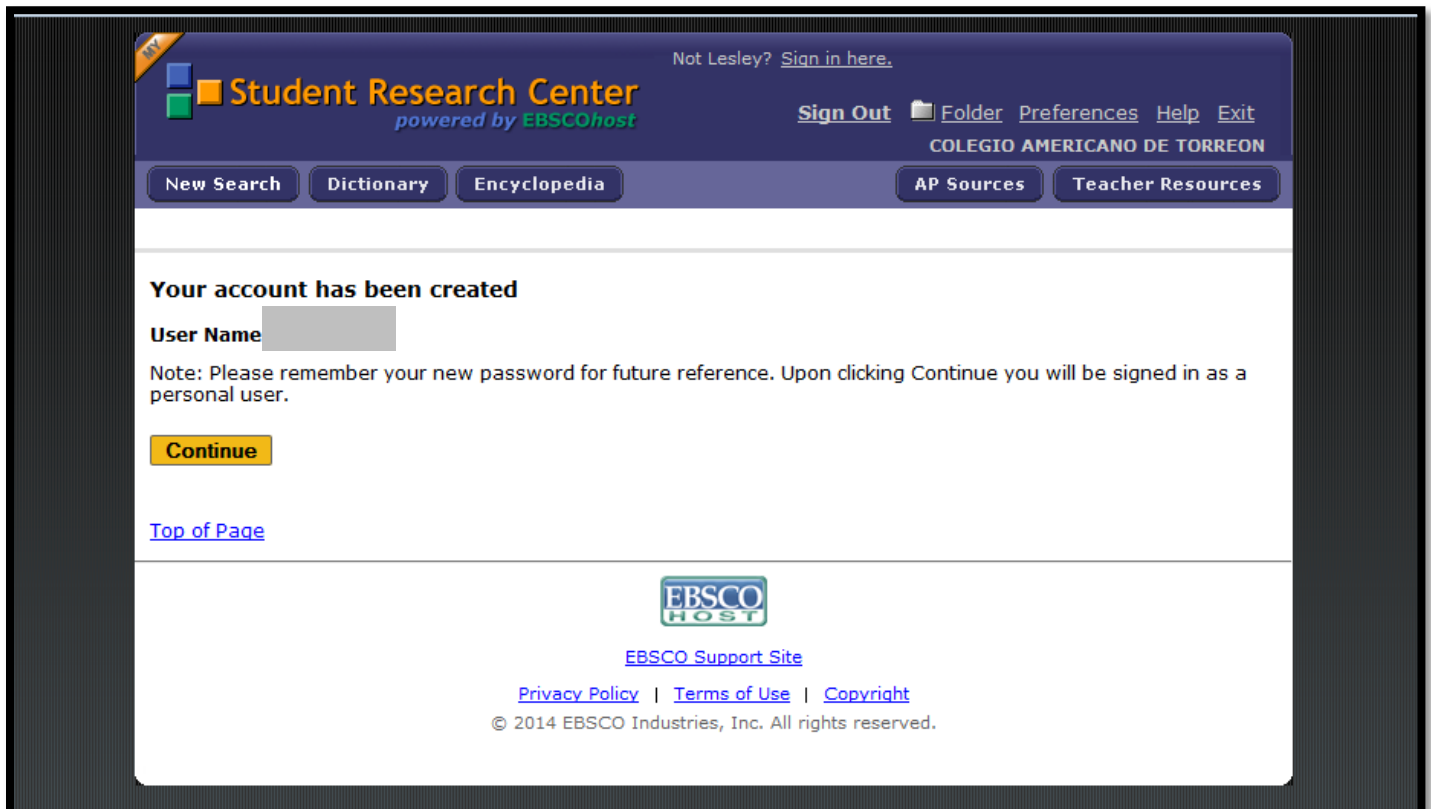


The screenshot shows a web form titled "Create a new account - Personal Account" with a help icon. The form includes the following fields and instructions:

- First Name:** A text input field.
- User Name:** A text input field with the instruction: "This is the user name you will use to sign in to My Student Research Center (254 character maximum)." Below the field is a note: "Note: Please remember your account information for future reference."
- Password:** A text input field with the instruction: "5 character minimum, 100 character maximum".
- Retype Password:** A text input field.
- Secret Question:** A dropdown menu with "[Select One]" selected, followed by the instruction: "Used to help identify your account if you forget your user name or password."
- Secret Answer:** A text input field.

At the bottom of the form are two buttons: "Save Changes" (highlighted in yellow) and "Cancel".

Step 8: Ensure that your account has been created and click continue.



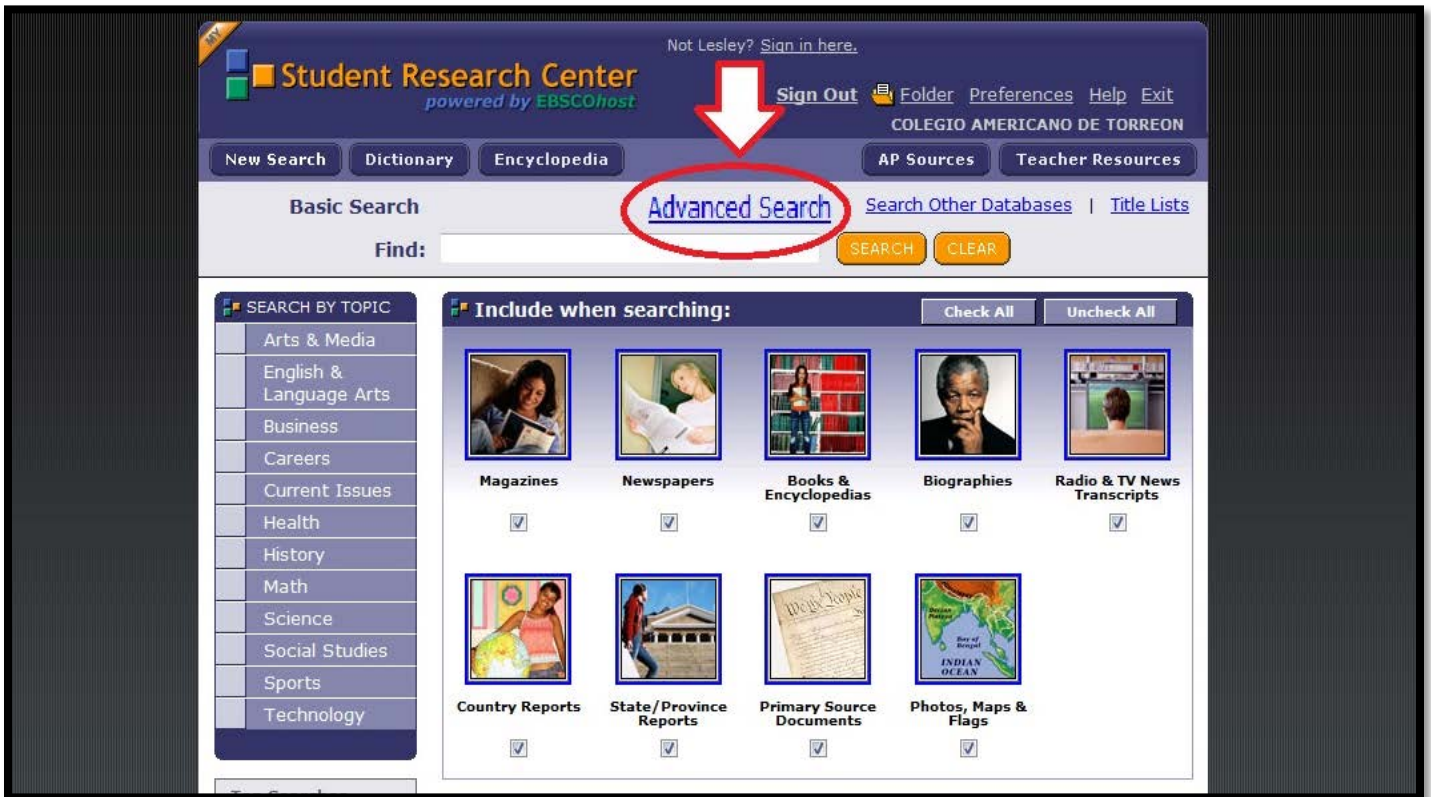
The screenshot shows a confirmation page with the following elements:

- Header:** "Student Research Center powered by EBSCOhost" logo, "Not Lesley? [Sign in here.](#)", "Sign Out", "Folder", "Preferences", "Help", "Exit", and "COLEGIO AMERICANO DE TORREON".
- Navigation:** Buttons for "New Search", "Dictionary", "Encyclopedia", "AP Sources", and "Teacher Resources".
- Message:** "Your account has been created".
- User Name:** A greyed-out text field showing the newly created username.
- Note:** "Note: Please remember your new password for future reference. Upon clicking Continue you will be signed in as a personal user."
- Action:** A yellow "Continue" button.
- Footer:** "EBSCO HOST" logo, "EBSCO Support Site", "Privacy Policy | Terms of Use | Copyright", and "© 2014 EBSCO Industries, Inc. All rights reserved."

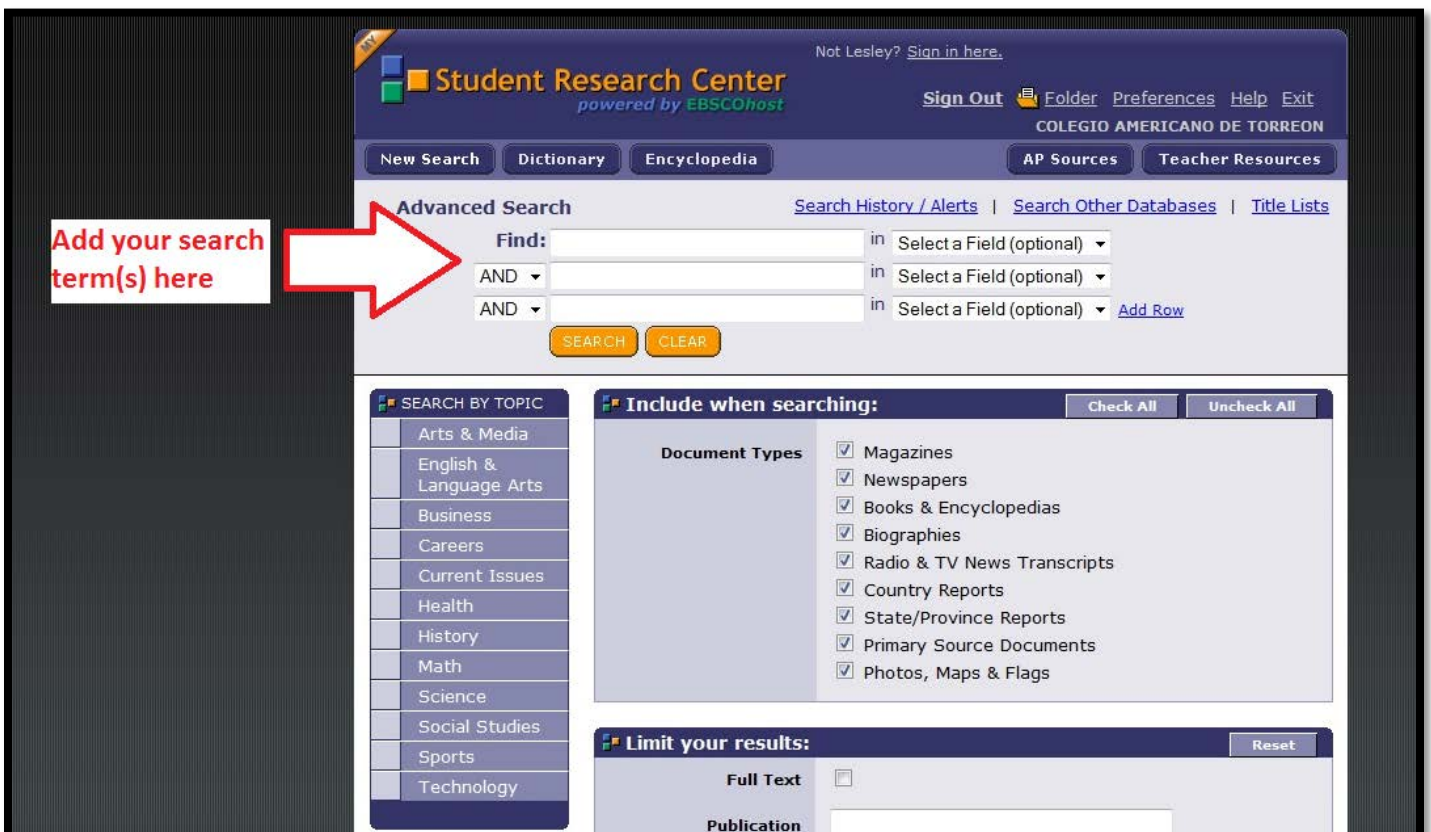
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Step 9: To begin your search, click on the "Advanced Search" link near the top of the page.

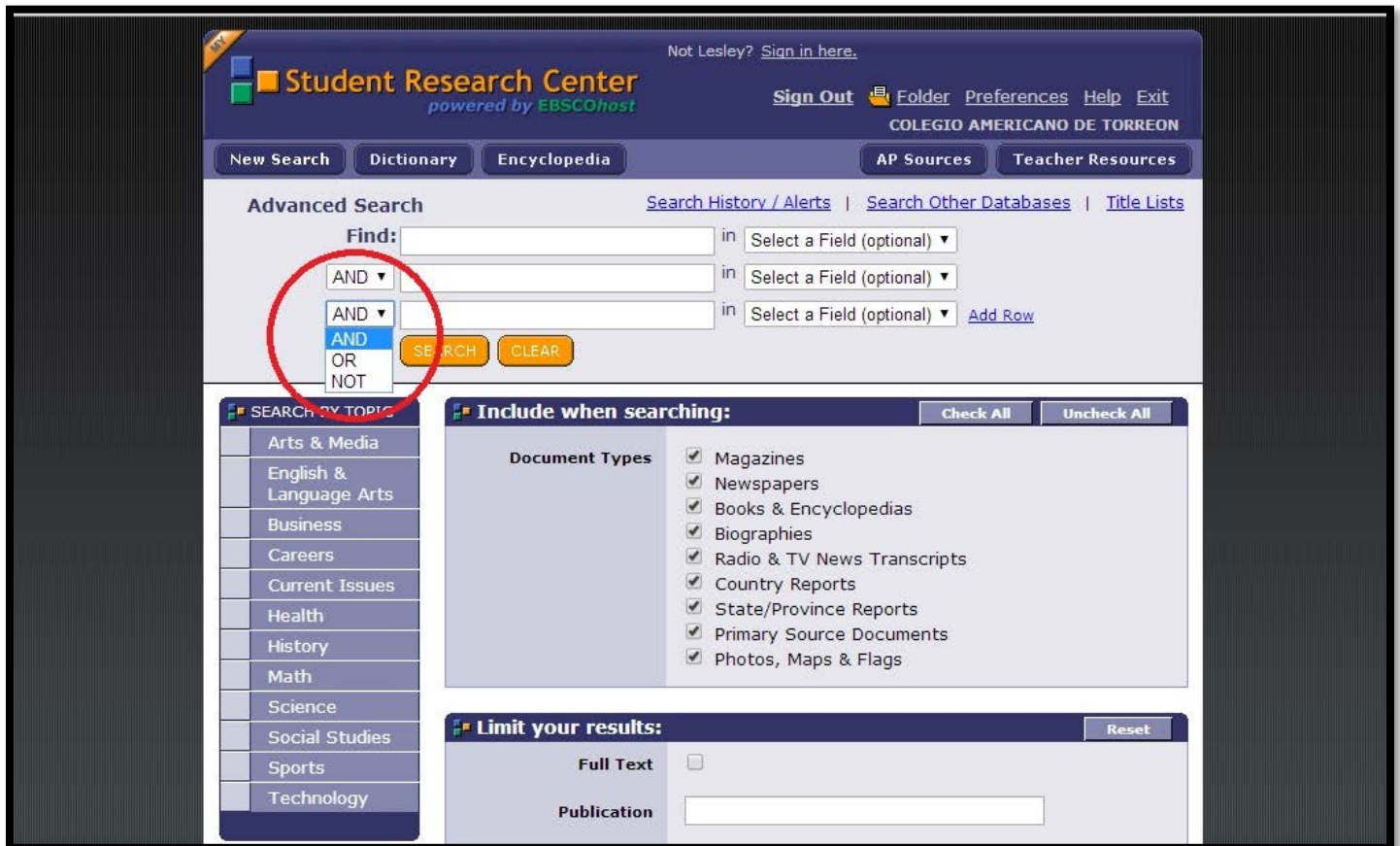


Once on the Advanced Search Page, write your search terms in the find box.



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Step 10: Refining Your Search – If you need to refine your results, you can use words like "AND," "OR," and "NOT." On the Advanced Search page, you can enter multiple search terms and use the words "AND," "OR," and "NOT" from the dropdown menu on the left to improve your search results. (And below that there are a number of other ways to refine your search that should look familiar to you, too.)

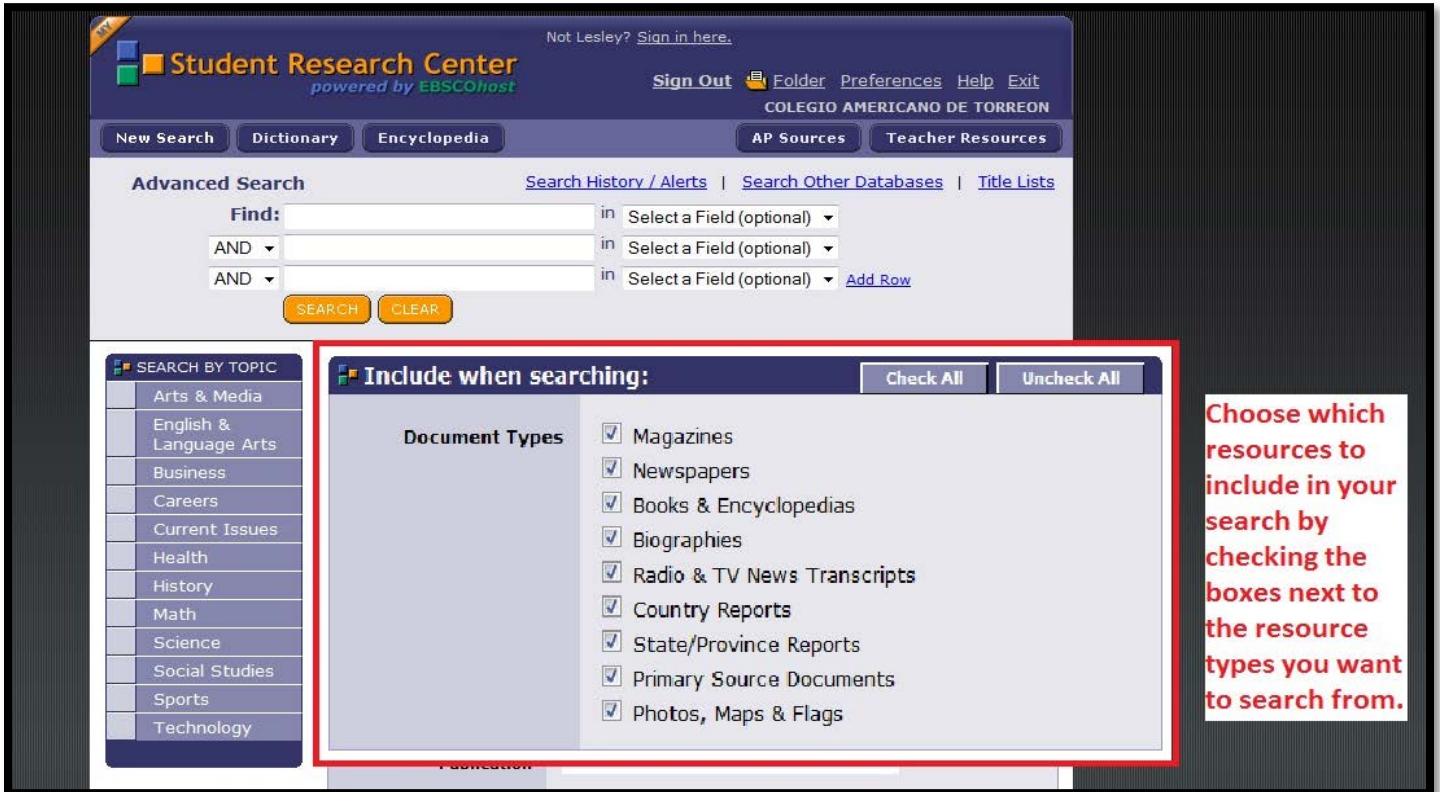


Additional Search Word	What it does	Example	Example Results
AND	<u>Narrows</u> your search by finding both terms in the resource.	cowboys AND rodeos	You will find only articles that contain the words cowboys and rodeos.
OR	<u>Broadens</u> your search by finding resources that include either term in the resource.	cowboys OR cowhands	You will find resources that contain the words cowboys or cowhands, the gender inclusive term for cowboy.
NOT or AND NOT	<u>Narrows</u> your search so it does not include the second term	cowboys NOT football	You will find resources that do not contain anything about football (or the Dallas Cowboys).

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Refining Your Search – Choose which types of resources to include in the search by checking the appropriate boxes.



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COLEGIO AMERICANO DE TORREON

[New Search](#) | [Dictionary](#) | [Encyclopedia](#) | [AP Sources](#) | [Teacher Resources](#)

Advanced Search | [Search History / Alerts](#) | [Search Other Databases](#) | [Title Lists](#)

Find: _____ in Select a Field (optional) v
AND v _____ in Select a Field (optional) v
AND v _____ in Select a Field (optional) v [Add Row](#)

[SEARCH](#) [CLEAR](#)

SEARCH BY TOPIC

- Arts & Media
- English & Language Arts
- Business
- Careers
- Current Issues
- Health
- History
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies
- Sports
- Technology

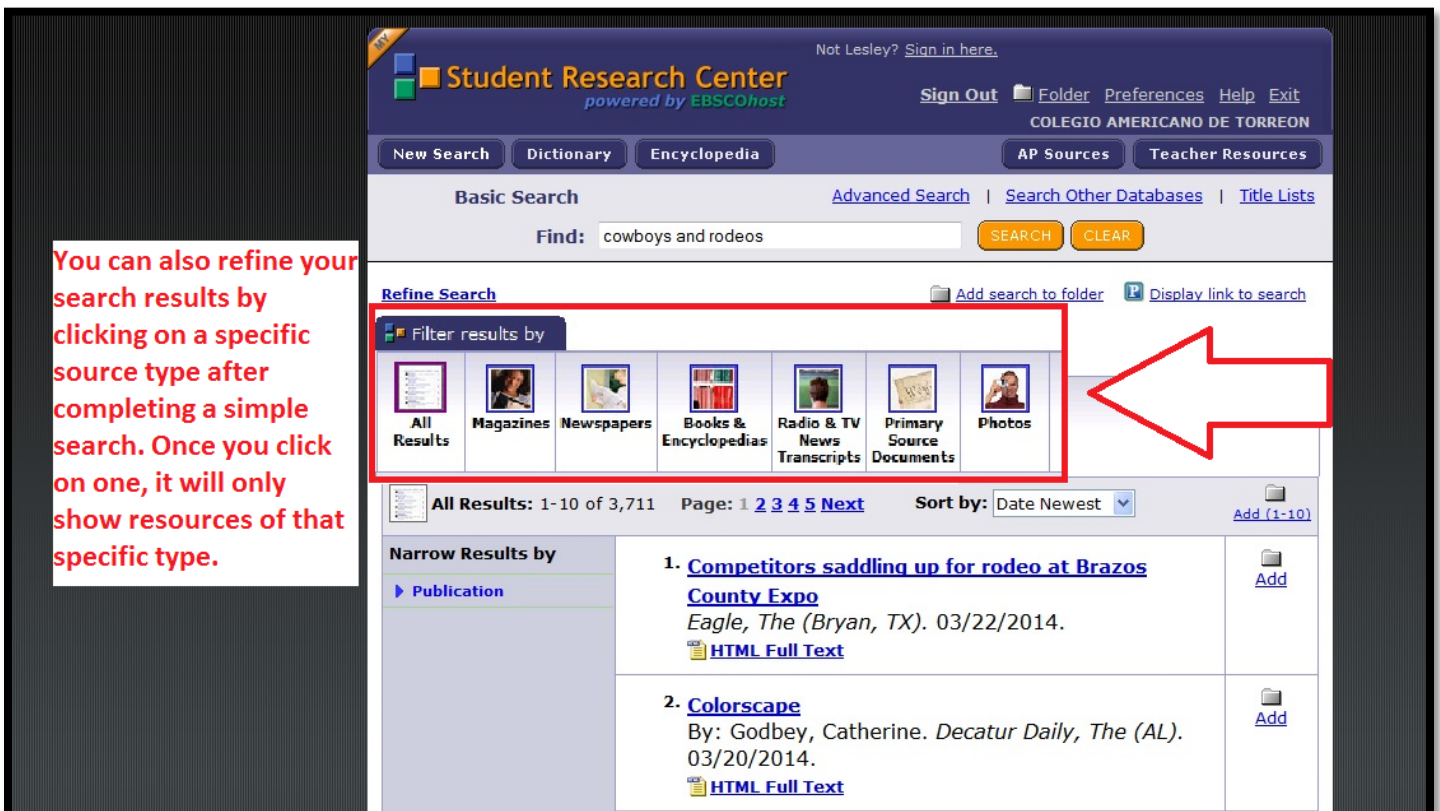
Include when searching: [Check All](#) [Uncheck All](#)

Document Types

- Magazines
- Newspapers
- Books & Encyclopedias
- Biographies
- Radio & TV News Transcripts
- Country Reports
- State/Province Reports
- Primary Source Documents
- Photos, Maps & Flags

Choose which resources to include in your search by checking the boxes next to the resource types you want to search from.

This step can be completed after doing a simple search as well.



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Not Lesley? [Sign in here.](#) | [Sign Out](#) | [Folder](#) | [Preferences](#) | [Help](#) | [Exit](#)

COLEGIO AMERICANO DE TORREON

[New Search](#) | [Dictionary](#) | [Encyclopedia](#) | [AP Sources](#) | [Teacher Resources](#)

Basic Search | [Advanced Search](#) | [Search Other Databases](#) | [Title Lists](#)

Find: cowboys and rodeos [SEARCH](#) [CLEAR](#)

[Add search to folder](#) | [Display link to search](#)

Refine Search

Filter results by

- All Results
- Magazines
- Newspapers
- Books & Encyclopedias
- Radio & TV News Transcripts
- Primary Source Documents
- Photos

All Results: 1-10 of 3,711 | Page: 1 2 3 4 5 Next | Sort by: Date Newest | [Add \(1-10\)](#)

Narrow Results by

- Publication

- [Competitors saddling up for rodeo at Brazos County Expo](#)
Eagle, The (Bryan, TX). 03/22/2014.
[HTML Full Text](#)
- [Colorscape](#)
By: Godbey, Catherine. Decatur Daily, The (AL). 03/20/2014.
[HTML Full Text](#)

You can also refine your search results by clicking on a specific source type after completing a simple search. Once you click on one, it will only show resources of that specific type.

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Refining Your Search – Choose a topic area. You can search in a topic area to further refine your results. For example, if we are researching cowboys, we can type that keyword into the search box and then click on the topic area "History."

Advanced Search [Search History / Alerts](#) | [Search Other Databases](#) | [Title Lists](#)

Find: in in in [Add Row](#)

SEARCH BY TOPIC

- Arts & Media
- English & Language Arts
- Business
- Careers
- Current Issues
- Health
- History
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies
- Sports
- Technology

Include when searching:

Document Types

- Magazines
- Newspapers
- Books & Encyclopedias
- Biographies
- Radio & TV News Transcripts
- Country Reports
- State/Province Reports
- Primary Source Documents
- Photos, Maps & Flags

Limit your results:

Full Text

Publication

Published Date Month: Year: - Month: Year:

Cover Story

After choosing a topic area, you will be asked to choose from within the topic area. You can check multiple boxes within the current topic and you can change the topic area if necessary. Then click the "search" button when you are ready.

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[Sign In](#) [Folder](#) [Preferences](#) [Help](#) [Exit](#)

COLEGIO AMERICANO DE TORREON

[New Search](#) [Dictionary](#) [Encyclopedia](#) [AP Sources](#) [Teacher Resources](#)

Basic Search [Advanced Search](#) | [Search Other Databases](#) | [Title Lists](#)

Find:

SEARCH BY TOPIC

- Arts & Media
- English & Language Arts
- Business
- Careers
- Current Issues
- Health
- History**
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies
- Sports
- Technology

Search within current topic:

- History**
- African History
- American Civil War Period
- American History
- Asian History
- Biographies
- European History
- Explorers
- Latin American History
- Modern US History
- Museums
- Wars, Conflicts, & Terrorism
- World History - Ancient
- World History - Medieval
- World History - Modern
- World War I
- World War II



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Refining Your Search – Choose a publication, a range of dates, your grade reading level, or your individual lexile level.

Limit your results: [Reset]

Full Text

Publication

Published Date Month: Year: - Month: Year:

Cover Story

Lexile Reading Level
All
200 - 950 (Grade 1 to Grade 5)
850 - 1100 (Grade 6 to Grade 8)
1050-1300+ (Grade 9 to Grade 12)

Lexile Reading Score

Peer Reviewed

Publication Type
All
Book
Biography
Country Report

Number Of Pages All

Access the most recent articles by adding a range of dates.

Search for articles from a specific publication like People or The Economist.

Search by your grade reading level or by individual lexile score

Step11: To see a resource, click on a title.

Basic Search | [Advanced Search](#) | [Search Other Databases](#) | [Title Lists](#)

Find:

Refine Search | [Add search to folder](#) | [Display link to search](#)

Results for *cowboys AND rodeos AND Full Text AND Automati...*

Filter results by: [All Results](#) | [Magazines](#) | [Newspapers](#) | [Books & Encyclopedias](#) | [Radio & TV News Transcripts](#) | [Primary Source Documents](#) | [Photos](#)

Results: 1-10 of 239 | Page: [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#) [Next](#) | Sort by: Relevance | [Add \(1-10\)](#)

Narrow Results by
[Subject](#)
[Publication](#)

- [8.03 sec.](#)
By: O'Connor, Brian. *Men's Fitness*. Oct2006, Vol. 22 Issue 8, p78-85. 8p. 6 Black and White Photographs.
[HTML Full Text](#)
- [Black Cowboy Brings Rodeo To The Inner-City.](#)**
Jet. 7/24/2006, Vol. 110 Issue 3, p51-52. 2p.
[PDF Full Text \(522KB\)](#)
- [Test of Cowboy Skills Led to Today's Rodeo.](#)
By: Hoff, Joseph. *Wild West*. Jun2007, Vol. 20 Issue 1, p26-27. 2p. Reading Level (Lexile): [1250](#).
[HTML Full Text](#) | [PDF Full Text \(981KB\)](#)

Choose a resource you would like to use and click on the blue, hyper-linked title.

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Read the abstract (an article summary) and decide if you would like to read the full article.

The screenshot shows the Student Research Center interface. At the top, there are navigation links: Sign In, Folder, Preferences, Help, Exit. Below that, there are tabs for New Search, Dictionary, Encyclopedia, AP Sources, and Teacher Resources. The main content area shows a search result for the article "Black Cowboy Brings Rodeo To The Inner-City." The article is available in PDF Full Text (522KB) and HTML Full Text. A red box highlights the "HTML Full Text" link, with a red arrow pointing to it from a text box on the left that says "Read the full article here as either a PDF or HTML". Below the article title, there is a "Find More Like This" button. The abstract is displayed in a red box, with a red arrow pointing to it from a text box on the right that says "Article abstract". The abstract text is: "The article reports on Murdock, a 58 year old African American cowboy with no first name, who wants rodeo to come to the inner city. Murdock, a Chicago, Illinois native, has founded the Broken Arrow Riding club and has also been lobbying with the Chicago Park District to allow individuals to ride horses in parks that have bridal trails. He also organizes rodeos and other events where inner city youth and adults can experience the joys of horses and stables." The ISSN is 0021-5996.

If you realize the resource is not for you, click on the "Results List" link to return to the results list to see more options or use the blue arrows to navigate through the other options.

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Step 12: If you like what you read, you can choose to e-mail the resource by clicking on the blue e-mail link.

The screenshot shows the Student Research Center interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links like 'Sign Out', 'Folder', 'Preferences', 'Help', and 'Exit'. Below that, there are tabs for 'New Search', 'Dictionary', 'Encyclopedia', 'AP Sources', and 'Teacher Resources'. The main content area displays search results for a document titled 'Black Cowboy Brings Rodeo To The Inner-City.' The document type is 'Article', and the source is 'Jet, 7/24/2006, Vol. 110 Issue 3, p51-'. The subjects listed are 'AFRICAN American cowboys', 'RODEOS', 'RIDING clubs', 'CHICAGO (Ill.), Park District', 'INNER cities', and 'CITY dwellers -- Recreation'. The geographic terms are 'CHICAGO (Ill.)' and 'ILLINOIS Report Available'. The abstract describes an African American cowboy named Murdock who has founded a riding club in Chicago and organizes rodeos in inner-city parks. A red circle highlights the 'E-mail' link in the top navigation bar, and a red arrow points to it.

OR

You can click on the e-mail link after reading the article

The screenshot shows the full article page. The title is 'Black Cowboy Brings Rodeo To The Inner-City' under the 'SPORTS' category. The article features a photo of a man with a horse and text describing his efforts to bring rodeo to inner-city Chicago. The 'E-mail' link in the top navigation bar is highlighted with a red box, and a red arrow points to it.

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Once you have clicked on the "E-mail" link, follow the prompts to e-mail the resource to the recipient.

Add an e-mail address

Give your e-mail a subject title and add any comments or reminders you have about the article.

You can even have the resource e-mailed with citation information.

Step 13: You can also add resources to your folder by choosing the "Add" icon located next to the article.

Click on "Add" and you will see this icon that says "Added"

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OR

While viewing the abstract, you can choose to "Add to folder" in the top right corner.

The screenshot shows the Student Research Center interface. At the top, there are navigation links like 'Sign Out', 'Folder', 'Preferences', 'Help', and 'Exit'. Below that, there are buttons for 'New Search', 'Dictionary', 'Encyclopedia', 'AP Sources', and 'Teacher Resources'. The main content area displays the abstract for the article 'Black Cowboy Brings Rodeo To The Inner-City.' The abstract text reads: 'The article reports on Murdock, a 58 year old African American cowboy with no first name, who wants rodeo to come to the inner city. Murdock, a Chicago, Illinois native, has founded the Broken Arrow Riding club and has also been lobbying with the Chicago Park District to allow individuals to ride horses'. In the top right corner, there is a red circle around the 'Add to folder' link, and a red arrow points to it.

OR

Add it to your folder while viewing the article by choosing the "Add to folder" link in the top right corner of the screen.

The screenshot shows the full article page. The article title is 'Black Cowboy Brings Rodeo To The Inner-City' under the 'SPORTS' category. The article text begins: 'Murdock is a Black cowboy who wants horseback riding in the inner city. The Chicago native founded the Broken Arrow Horseback Riding Club on Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday (Jan. 15) in 1989 and has been lobbying the Park District to change rules to allow individuals to ride their horses in parks with bridal paths. In the process, he and his Chicago-based club work diligently to organize rodeo shows and other events where youth and adults can experience the joys of horses and stables.' In the top right corner, there is a red circle around the 'Add to folder' link, and a red arrow points to it.

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When a resource is added to your folder, you can access it at any time by choosing the folder icon at the top of the screen. Just make sure you are signed in to your account.

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[Sign Out](#) [Folder](#) [References](#) [Help](#) [Exit](#)

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[New Search](#) [Dictionary](#) [Encyclopedia](#) [AP Sources](#) [Teacher Resources](#)

Basic Search

Find: [SEARCH](#) [CLEAR](#)

[Refine Search](#) [Add search to folder](#) [Display link to search](#)

Results for *cowboys AND rodeos AND Full Text AND*

Filter results by

[All Results](#) [Magazines](#) [Newspapers](#) [Books & Encyclopedias](#) [Radio & TV News Transcripts](#) [Primary Source Documents](#) [Photos](#)

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Narrow Results by		
Subject		
Publication		
	1. 8.03 sec. By: O'Connor, Brian. <i>Men's Fitness</i> . Oct2006, Vol. 22 Issue 8, p78-85. 8p. 6 Black and White Photographs. HTML Full Text	Add
	2. Black Cowboy Brings Rodeo To The Inner-City. <i>Jet</i> . 7/24/2006, Vol. 110 Issue 3, p51-52. 2p. PDF Full Text (522KB)	Added

Continue this process until you have found the necessary resources you need for your research.

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Appendix:

Typical Lexile Levels by Grade*

Grade	Reader Measures, Mid-Year 25th percentile to 75th percentile (IQR)
1	Up to 300
2	140-500
3	330-700
4	445-810
5	565-910
6	665-1000
7	735-1065
8	805-1100
9	855-1165
10	905-1195
11 & 12	940-1210

*Chart taken from <https://www.lexile.com/about-lexile/grade-equivalent/grade-equivalent-chart/>

For passwords and information, please contact the school librarian at
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