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## Using Resources for Research

To conduct research for a paper, project, or just to satisfy one's own knowledge, there are numerous reference sources.

**Directions:** Choose a topic of interest. Research the topic by using the following resources. Write a piece of information you read from each source. Add any other sources you use to the bottom of the page.

My topic: \_\_\_\_\_

**Encyclopedia:** an encyclopedia is a published book set that gives information on various topics. Once the go to reference material, it has been all but replaced by the internet. However, the encyclopedia still is a valuable. Be sure it is a current edition.

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**Wikipedia:** The modern encyclopedia, found online, and contributed to by editors of the site, as well as the general public. Wikipedia contains information on thousands of topics, people, events, and items. But be careful to check all information with at least another source to be sure it is accurate.

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**Google:** Google is so popular a source that it has now become a verb. If you want to know about something, you "google" it. A Google search brings you a list of hundreds, or thousands, of websites that discuss the topic, or, just have mentioned the topic. But be aware, not everything you read on the internet is fact. Also, keep Safe Search on when Googling, to be sure the sites displayed are appropriate.

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