

Resources on British History

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How To's

<i>The Historian's Toolbox: a Student's Guide...</i>	D16 .W62 2003
<i>Pocket Guide to Writing in History</i>	D13 .R295 2004
<i>Writing History: A Guide for Students</i>	D16 .S864 2009

Reference Sources

Overviews	<i>Oxford History of the British Empire</i>	DA16 .O95 1998
	<i>Oxford Companion to British History</i>	online
	<i>Encyclopedia of Western Colonialism since 1450</i>	REF JV22 .E535 2007
	<i>Victorians at War, 1815-1914: An Encyclopedia...</i>	DA68 .R38 2004
	<i>Atlas of the British Empire</i>	DA16 .A8 1989
Biography	<i>Oxford Dictionary of National Biography</i>	REF DA28 .O95 2004
	Biography Resource Center	online

Find Scholarly* Books (recent is better)

Keyword Searches in the Library Catalog

Colonialis* "Gordon Charles George" "british empire" india

The asterisk (*) is the wildcard; it allows for varied word endings.

To retrieve phrases, put them in quotes.

Look at Subject Headings to find preferred terms, keywords

Imperialism Great Britain--Colonies--Asia Britain history "motion pictures"

*Hallmarks of scholarship: academic author/publisher; extensive list of references; in-depth treatment

- **Some Whole Books are Bibliographies**

<i>Reader's Guide to British History</i>	REF DA34 .R43 2003
<i>Bibliography of Imperial, Colonial, & Commonwealth History...</i>	DA16 .B57 2002
<i>AHA Guide to Historical Literature</i>	REF D20 .A55 1995

Beyond our Library

Identify resources in

WorldCat -- combined catalog of libraries from over 112 countries; 98,000,000+ records.

Let us get items for you free via **PASCAL Delivers** or **Interlibrary Loan!**

PASCAL Delivers – order books from academic libraries all over South Carolina (allow 3-4 days)

Interlibrary Loan – order books, articles & other materials from around the world (7-10 days)

[Please NOTE: archives don't lend; the rarer & farther away, the longer it will take.]

Find Scholarly Articles & Book Reviews

Visit the Libraries' web page at www.lib.clemson.edu.

Choose "Research by Subject," the "History" link, then "Find Journal Articles"

Academic Search Premier – multidisciplinary, with many peer-reviewed journals, back to 1975

Historical Abstracts – world history (excluding U.S. & Canada) 1450 to present

JSTOR – archive of over 1500 core scholarly journals, more than 160 in history (**not current**)

Arts & Humanities Citation Index – part of *Web of Science*, back to 1975

Noteworthy Periodicals for British/Colonial History

British Heritage

Eighteenth Century Life

English Historical Review

Historian: A Journal of History

Historical Journal

Historical Research

History (Historical Association)

History Today

Irish Historical Studies

Journal of African History

Journal of British Studies

Journal of Imperial & Commonwealth History

Journal of Southern African Studies

Journal of Victorian Culture

Past & Present

Transactions of the Royal Historical Society

Victorian Studies

Find Primary Sources

• Books can contain Primary Sources

Terms in LC subject headings or titles that indicate primary sources:

Correspondence is used for “letters.”

Diaries may mean an individual diary or collections of a person’s diaries.

Personal narratives refers to later accounts by those participating in events; “memoirs.” “Autobiographies” are included under **Biography**.

Sources indicates official documents & mixed collections of other primary sources.

“Papers” may appear in the title of a scholarly compilation of a person’s writings (transcribed).

Try adding them to your keyword searches:

“Crimean War” diaries

“great britain” Victorian sources

• Magazines are Primary Sources for their Times

Illustrated London News – large-format newsweekly, in print at **AP4 .I29**; 1843-2003, incomplete

HarpWeek – Harper’s Weekly, 19th century illustrated news magazine; full text 1857-1912, **online**

19th Century MasterFile -- index to American & English periodical articles, 1786-1922

Reader’s Guide Retrospective -- citations to articles in general-interest periodicals published in the United States, 1890-1982

• Newspapers are primary sources

Here are some we have online:

London Times Digital Archive – complete page images, 1785-1985

New York Times (Historical) – full page images, 1851-2006

Wall Street Journal (Historical) – full page images, 1889-1992

Washington Post (Historical) – full page images, 1877-1993

• Free Web Sites for Primary Sources

Eurodocs: http://eudocs.lib.byu.edu/index.php/Main_Page

Internet Modern History Sourcebook:

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbook.html>

Undergraduate Victorian Studies Online Teaching Anthology (UVSOTA)

<http://etrc.lib.umn.edu/uvsota/index.htm>

Victorian Web: <http://www.victorianweb.org/>

Cite your Sources

RefWorks (citation software, many formats)

Citation Guides online

Printed style manuals (Chicago, MLA, etc.)

online

www.lib.clemson.edu/libcoll/where/CitationGuides.htm

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