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with Britannica Library



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The Britannica Vision



For over 250 years, Britannica has collaborated with experts, scholars, educators, designers, and specialists as well as our global team of editors to provide safe, reliable, and relevant information. We work diligently to review all content and produce digital learning products that are critical to providing a useful and enjoyable research experience.

Britannica Digital Learning resources are designed in collaboration with parents, educators, and content experts for the modern-day classroom, library, and home learning environments.

We are passionate about igniting curiosity and spreading the joy of discovery for learners by bringing high-quality, reliable, and accessible learning resources to people all over the world.

Homepage

Welcome to Britannica Library

*The Award-Winning Resource for
Children and Adults*

Easy to use, and easy to find
trusted information.

Choose a level below to get
started!



Children



Young Adults



Reference Center



Britannica Library is the go-to site for learning about any topic, for all ages and learning abilities!

Our highly reputable editorial team expertly creates content at three levels to support users at every level.

Choose between Children, Young Adults, or Reference Center levels to begin exploring the wide array of Britannica content.

Children

Built and designed with younger learners in mind, the site's engaging and eye-catching colors and images help to keep young users engaged. Regularly updated content makes the homepage the perfect place to find unique content that empowers users to ignite their curiosity and spread the joy of discovery.



Explore Tools

Empower users to explore the many resources within Britannica independently! Use the World Atlas to go on a virtual tour around the world or explore the Animal Kingdom to access a wealth of Britannica content on animals of all kinds.

Global Awareness

We believe it is crucial for users to gain an understanding of the world in which they live. On the homepage, users have access to the Compare Countries tool and Geography Explorer game. Use the Compare Countries tool to dive deep into facts, statistics about varying countries. Play the Geography Explorer game to identify continents, mountains, bodies of water, and interesting sites around the world!

Young Adult

The Young Adult homepage is adapted to cater to older children and young adults. Resources can be used to inspire curiosity, engage in discussion, or encourage independent learning. Additional features on the Young Adult homepage include the Daily Buzzword, At a Glance articles, and much more!



Compare Countries

The Compare Countries feature is a great tool to develop global awareness and support students' understanding of other countries around the world using unbiased, factual information.

At A Glance Articles

At a Glance articles allow users to dive into broader themes and concepts in one place. Explore Presidents of the United States at a Glance, African American History at a Glance, Solar System at a Glance and more .to find links to articles, media, and other content to help make connections within these important topics.

Reference Center

Content at the Reference Center homepage is designed for the adult learner. The home page allows users to engage with features such as Flash Facts and In Their Words. Users can conduct research and find information they're looking for, fast.

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SEARCH Research Tools and Materials Help My Content

SCIENCE IN PICTURES

Backlit Saturn

This backlit view of Saturn is a mosaic of many images captured by the Cassini spacecraft while flying in Saturn's shadow, with the Sun on the opposite side of the planet.

EXPLORE OTHER SCIENCE AND MATH MEDIA:

- planet
- space exploration

Explore

ARTICLES IMAGES AND VIDEOS BIOGRAPHIES

Media Browse

Explore a wide range of high-quality multimedia resources to support research and develop understanding of a topic. This content covers every corner of the curriculum, from architecture to zoology.

Biographies

The perfect starting point for users to begin inquiring into people from a specific era or occupation. From the influential to the infamous, this feature allows users to dive deep into the lives of some of the world's most inspiring people.

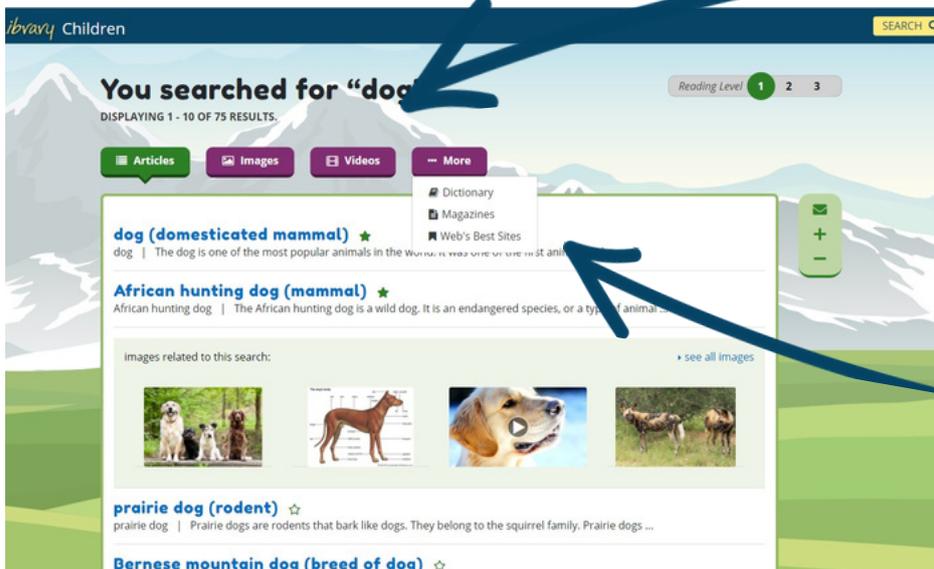
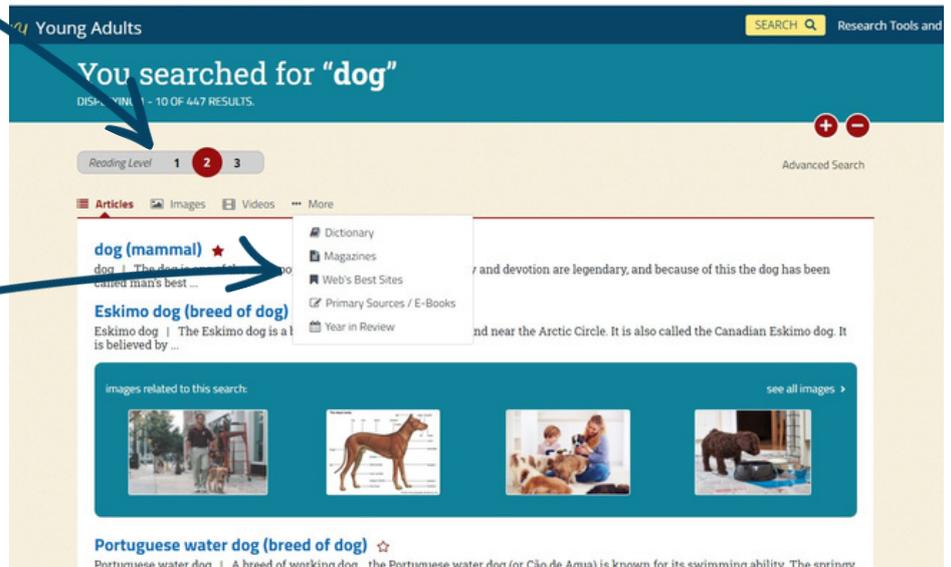
Search Results

Differentiation

Support or challenge users by selecting the appropriate academic level. This is a simple way to include differentiation.

Journals and Magazines

Across all three of the reading levels, users have access to a wide range of educational journals and magazines, provided by EBSCO. This advanced form of researching allows users to prepare for college and careers.



Multimedia

Users have access to a wide array of high-quality videos and images to enhance media literacy skills. These can be used to create research projects and presentations

Web's Best Sites

Web's Best Sites allows users to broaden their research to resources outside of Britannica Library. Each site is reviewed by the Britannica Editorial Team to ensure that it is relevant and appropriate for the learning of users at each level.

Content Page Tools

Favorite

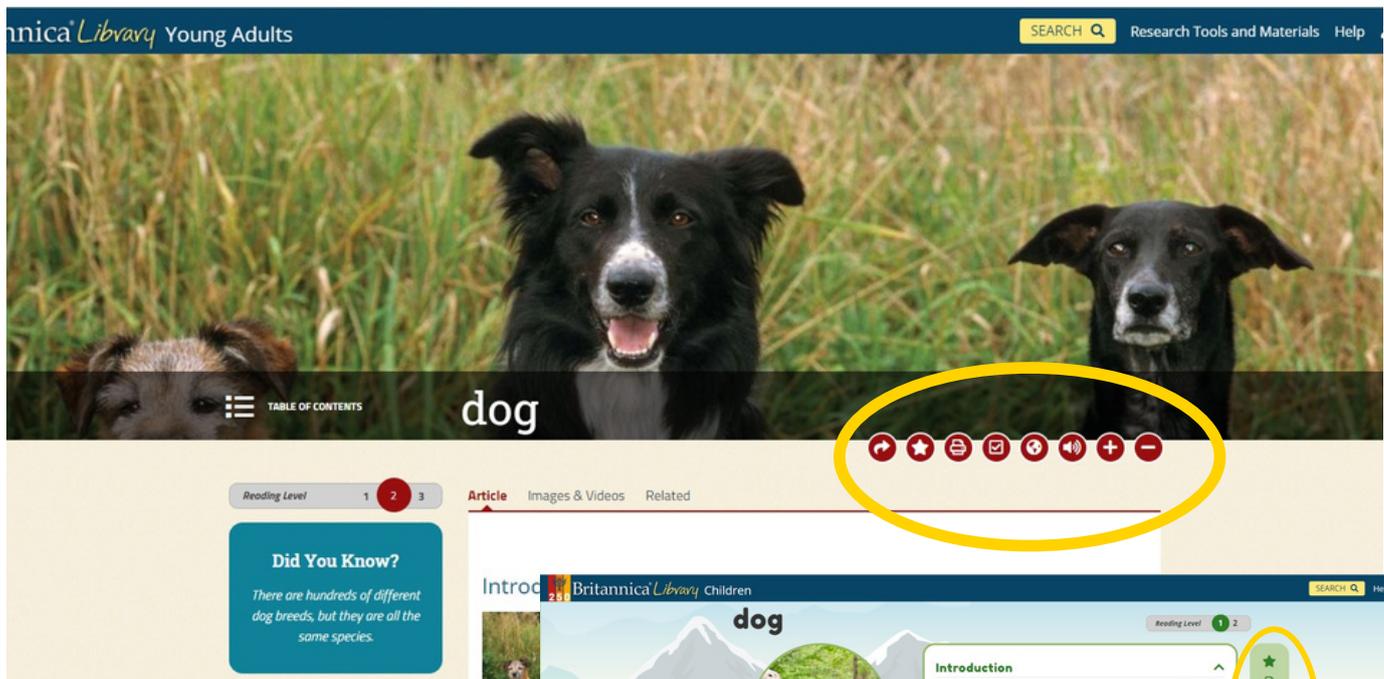
Click on the star icon to add an article to your Favorites or to a specific Resource Pack that you've created. This is a great way to gather content together in advance for an upcoming project or presentation.

Cite

Teach users about the importance of citation from a young age. Britannica keeps this sometimes difficult process as simple as possible for all levels and abilities. Click on the checkmark icon to get immediate citations.

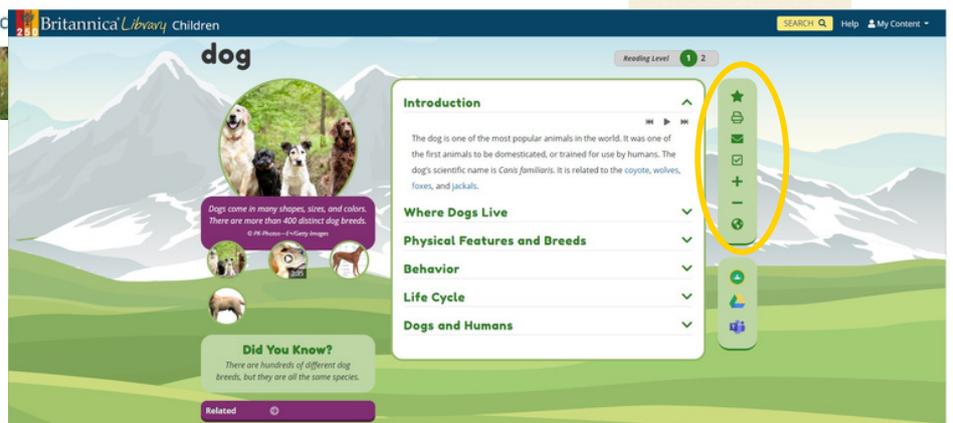
Translate

Select the globe icon to support your English Learners by translating content into over 80 languages. Develop English skills by hovering over the translation to view the original text.



Literacy Support

There are many ways to support developing readers and to encourage independent learning. Press the play icon to use the Read Aloud tool. Users can hear the text read aloud while following along with the highlighted text. Support vocabulary acquisition by using the quick-click dictionary! Double click on a word for the Merriam Webster definition and pronunciation.

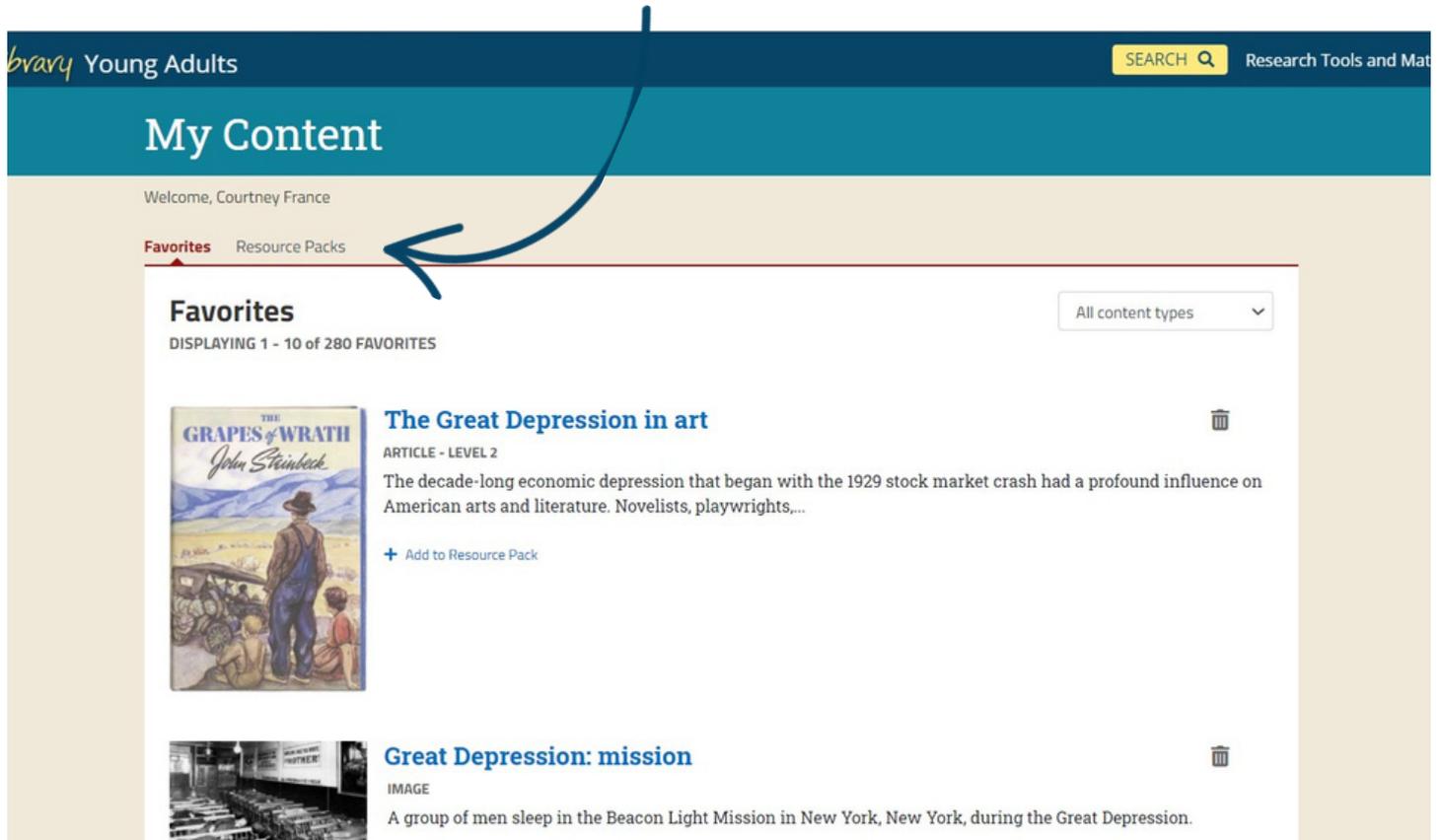


Increase Rigor

Challenge your advanced users by suggesting that they read the more advanced content. Additionally, encourage them to click the Related tab when viewing content in order to expand their research and make meaningful connections between content.

My Britannica

Set yourself up with a personal My Britannica account. Here, users are able to view their favorited content and organize it into Resource Packs. The notes section allows for simple communication between users making Resource Packs a great tool for digital homework and research projects!



The screenshot shows the 'My Content' page for a user named Courtney France. The page has a teal header with 'My Content' and a search bar. Below the header, there are tabs for 'Favorites' and 'Resource Packs'. A blue arrow points from the top of the page down to the 'Resource Packs' tab. The 'Favorites' section displays a list of items, including an article titled 'The Great Depression in art' and an image titled 'Great Depression: mission'. Each item has a trash icon and an 'Add to Resource Pack' button.

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My Content

Welcome, Courtney France

Favorites Resource Packs

Favorites

DISPLAYING 1 - 10 of 280 FAVORITES

All content types

The Great Depression in art 

ARTICLE - LEVEL 2

The decade-long economic depression that began with the 1929 stock market crash had a profound influence on American arts and literature. Novelists, playwrights,...

+ Add to Resource Pack

Great Depression: mission 

IMAGE

A group of men sleep in the Beacon Light Mission in New York, New York, during the Great Depression.

How should users use Resource Packs?

Resource Packs provide the perfect area for users to collect and organize all relevant resources for a specific unit of work. Use the notes section to write summaries of key points and to keep track of observations as you research. Don't forget that you can upload your own documents into a Resource Pack! Email and share the pack with peers to share notes, progress, and research findings.

Research Tools and Materials

Explore resources to assist in guiding users through the research process. Access the Research Tools and Materials page to find tutorials and worksheets that can help guide the research process and organize your notes.

Young Adults SEARCH Research Tools and Materials

Research Tools and Materials

Ready for Research

- Pre-Research Planner**
Use this worksheet to pick a topic and spark initial research questions.
- Get Started!**
This five-step research process will help you from start to finish.
- Step 1: Understand the Project**
Make sure you understand all the requirements of your project.
- Step 2: Select the Topic and Plan the Project**
How do you pick a good topic? This guide will help.
- Step 3: Gather Information**
Find and evaluate information from books, websites, and more.
- Step 4: Record and Organize Facts**
Taking notes is easier with these tips to organize findings.
- Step 5: Create a Presentation**
Draw conclusions and format a presentation to show what you learned.
- Wrap Up**
Evaluate the project. What skills did you learn and practice?

How Tos

- Book Reviews**
Literary criticism combines reasoned analysis with a personal evaluation of the work.
- Presentations**
An oral presentation can be challenging but this guide provides helpful steps.
- Research Papers**
Writing a research paper is easier when you create a thesis and an outline.
- Science Reports**
A laboratory report has its own structure and guidelines for scientific information.

Ready for Research

Sequence your research process using the Ready for Research worksheets. Follow a streamlined research process and record notes as you go!

How Tos

Explore these guides for a number of projects to improve writing, presentations, and research skills.



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