

SCHOLARLY RESEARCH LINKS

Learn about your topic.

Where can you start exploring various conflicts? Here are a list of resources! You can find conflicts on other sites as well, but be sure that the site you are using is CREDIBLE! Use article tags (your teacher has them) for each of the articles you find. An example of a filled-out article tag is provided in the RESOURCE section.

News/Publications	Organizations	Scholarly/Educational
Newsela PBS News Scholastic News New York Times National Public Radio BBC News Reuters AP Press Wired Magazine TIME for Kids National Geographic Smithsonian Tween Tribune <i>Always look at multiple perspectives when reading from newspapers and be careful. Sometimes even well-established papers will backtrack or make big mistakes in their reporting. Be careful with "editorial" articles which are opinion-pieces.</i> The Washington Post The Wall Street Journal The Los Angeles Times TIME Magazine Sites that are harder to read: The Economist The New Yorker	Pew Research United Nations American Psychological Association CIA.gov Amnesty International American Civil Liberties Union Southern Poverty Law Center Reporters without Borders Freedom House The Human Rights Watch ----- How to find "scholarly" articles: Most university websites and museum websites are educational and credible. Go to the museum or university website, can click on the departments that are related to the conflict/topic that you are interested in exploring. You can find articles there. Go to scholar.google.com to find scholarly articles (written by experts in the field like scientists and researchers who work at universities to study their topic of expertise).	Library of Congress http://www.prattlibrary.org/research/ Free online full-text articles can be found on http://highwire.stanford.edu/lists/freeart.dtl Ebsco Host - Free full-text articles https://www.ebsco.com/who-we-serve/academic-libraries/subjects/free-databases

Wikipedia?

Wikipedia is a site that can only be used as a launching point. You are NOT allowed to cite wikipedia as a source. Wikipedia is handy for the citations on the bottom. Scroll down to the end of the page to find hyperlinks to the original articles that the information pertaining to your topic on Wikipedia comes from.

EXTRA TIPS ON SCHOLARLY RESEARCH

Scholarly Research and Timeliness

Can we use articles that are more than 5-10 years old?

Yes, you can, but only in certain situations! Read the examples to learn more.

Example 1: If you are researching social media and how it contributes to conflicts within teenagers today, then you need to find articles that are very recent. Studies and articles from the very beginning of social media, back in 2002 or so, is not going to help you address your driving question. In that instance, you need to use the most up to date articles that should not be more than 5 years old.

Example 2: If you are researching the parallels between how the media covers conflicts during two different wars, such as the Syrian Civil War and the Gulf War, then you might need to go back to sources that pertain to the Gulf War, which was in the early 90s. In this case, you might be using a couple of articles that are 25+ years old!

Example 3: If you are looking at the changes over time of pharmaceutical companies, you might have to look at older articles. If you are looking at how they impact the economy today, you need to look at current articles from this year or last year.

Statistics are always helpful for your research because it allows you see context, patterns, and trends!

U.S. Census <https://www.census.gov/>

Google Public Data <https://www.google.com/publicdata/directory>

USA.gov <https://www.usa.gov/statistics>

Statista <https://www.statista.com/>

World Health Organization http://www.who.int/gho/publications/world_health_statistics/en/

CIA World Fact Book <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/>

United Nations Statistics Division <https://unstats.un.org/home/>

Primary sources are the bomb dot com!

Library of Congress <https://www.loc.gov/>

National Archives <https://www.archives.gov/education/research/primary-sources>

DocsTeach <https://www.docsteach.org/documents>

Spartacus Educational <http://spartacus-educational.com/>

Fordham University <https://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbookfull.asp>

The Avalon project <http://web.library.yale.edu/digital-collections/avalon-project>

Life Magazine Photo Archive <http://images.google.com/hosted/life>

Seek experts!

If you are looking for medical research, go to medical review journals where the authors are doctors or scientists of medicine. If you are looking at environmental conflicts, go to environmental journals or magazines, where the authors have Ph.Ds in environmental science.