



# Researching For a Debate

## Seeking out Credible Sources

### Purpose

Many of us discover current issues through social media, Google, Wikipedia, or generated content. Seek out credible sources when conducting research to minimize bias, misinformation and inaccuracies

[What's Wrong With Wikipedia?](#)

[Media Bias Chart](#)

[AllSides](#)

### Choosing A Topic

Investigate both sides of the issue to build a strong case for your claim.

[Current Topics with Opposing Viewpoints](#)

AnswerGarden: [Which Debate Topic Are You Investigating?](#)

### SME Credible Sources

Start with current sources written by SMEs (Subject Matter Experts). Check out the eResources listed below. Many of them include automatic citation!!

[121Library](#)

[Opposing Viewpoints](#)

[History In Context](#)

### Source Evaluation

Here are some strategies to help you evaluate and compare your sources to ensure that the information you've found is accurate.

[Lateral Reading](#)

[COR Questions](#)

[Four Strategies for Fact Checking](#)

### Search Tips

If you are searching for a very specific topic, boolean phrases can help you find exactly what you are looking for.

[Boolean Searching](#)

### Citing Sources

As you find your sources you need to collect them in a Works Cited Document. During a debate, cite your sources verbally to increase credibility.

[Sample Works Cited Page](#)

[ZoteroBib](#)

[OSLIS Citation Maker](#)

[Verbal Citations](#)