

# DOING RESEARCH IN JOURNALS AND MAGAZINES

Allen County Public Library

## INTRODUCTION –

1. E-Resources on ACPL homepage
2. Dial-up brochure (one exception - [www.inspire.net](http://www.inspire.net))

## INFOTRAC –

1. From the Allen County Public Library homepage ([www.acpl.info](http://www.acpl.info)), click on E-Resources.
2. Scroll down and click on Infotrac.
3. Select the database you want to search.
4. The ways to search these databases vary slightly, but generally you can search by subject or keyword. An advanced search gives the ability to also search by author and title. You can also limit the search by date of article, title of journal, and limit the results to articles available in full text.

## INSPIRE – This is also available from home at: [www.inspire.net](http://www.inspire.net)

1. From the Allen County Public Library homepage ([www.acpl.info](http://www.acpl.info)), click on E-Resources.
2. Scroll down and click on Inspire.
3. At the next screen, click on “Search Inspire Databases”.
4. At the following screen, click on the subject area you want to search or click on the pull down menu for “Select Individual Databases” and choose the database you want to search.
5. You can do a basic search by keyword or an advanced search which specifies the search by author, title, subject, full text, and other ways. You can also limit by date, title of journal, number of pages, cover story, articles which are peer reviewed and scholarly, and those that are available in full text. You can also expand the search by finding articles with related words.

## ONESEARCH –

1. From the Allen County Public Library homepage ([www.acpl.info](http://www.acpl.info)), click on OneSearch.
2. Enter your search terms and select the topic you want to search by checking the box(es).
3. You can do a basic search by keyword or an advanced search which specifies the author, title, subject, abstract and date.

### **NEWSBANK FULL-TEXT NEWSPAPERS –**

1. From the Allen County Public Library homepage ([www.acpl.info](http://www.acpl.info)), click on E-Resources.
2. Scroll down and click on NewsBank Full-Text Newspapers.
3. Select the paper you want to search, either the Journal Gazette, News Sentinel, or the list of America's newspapers on NewsBank.
4. After selecting the paper, you can do a basic keyword search, with timeframe limits of yesterday or today, past 7 days, 3, 6, or 12 months, all years, a specific year or a custom date. You can also choose the returns listed as "most recent matches first", "best matches first" or "oldest matches first". You can also do an advanced search, which limits the search by specific fields, such as lead paragraph, headline, author, section, caption, all text, etc.

### **OTHERS –**

#### Online sources

AccessScience  
Ancestry.com  
Auto Repair Reference Center  
Biography and Genealogy Master Index  
Bridges  
Ethnic News Watch  
FirstSearch  
GaleNet  
    Literature Resource Center  
    What Do I Read Next?  
Government Periodicals Universe  
International Index to Music Periodicals  
Morningstar  
NewspaperArchive.com  
Prices It! Antiques & Collectibles  
Reference USA  
Wilson's Art Index  
All the Genealogy Resources

#### Paper sources

Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature  
New York Times Index