

Our databases vs. search engines

If you've ever done quick searches on a free search engine, our online resources will look different at first. But sometimes different is better.

It's like going to the supermarket if you've always shopped at the corner convenience store before. You might be disoriented for a moment, or two, but you soon see that the supermarket's selection, quality, and value far outweigh what the convenience store offers.

You wouldn't trust the convenience store down the street to cater a fancy dinner party, so why trust your child's homework to the free Web?



The Databases

In addition to the Find It Virginia databases available at your school, with your PRL library card you can use -

Ancestry.com Library Edition

p4a Antiques

Auto Repair Reference Center

Britannica Online

Britannica Kids

HeritageQuest

Literature Criticism Online

Novelist Plus

The Richmond Times-Dispatch Archives

Salem Health

Salem History

Teen Health & Wellness

Testing and Education Reference Center

WilsonWeb

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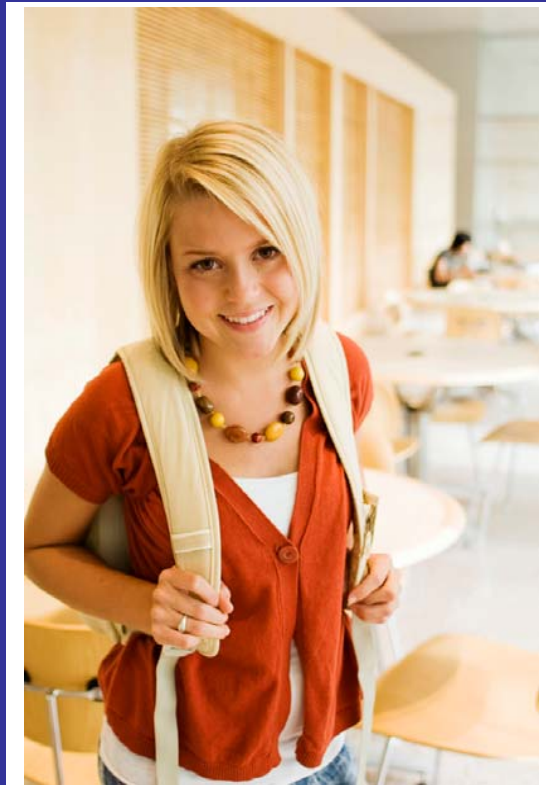
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Databases @ your library

*your online home
for reliable answers...*



*Did you know that your library gives you a free online gateway to the "hidden Web?" any time of day or night, you can use the Internet resources the pros turn to when they need reliable, high-quality information.
Reading for fun? That's there, too!*

Did You Know...?

Questions? Try the Library!

The Pamunkey Regional Library offers free, 24/7 access to online resources that can help you answer all sorts of questions when your school library is unavailable.

- *Recently I told my Dad that I was feeling stressed out. He said that I'm too young at 17 to be stressed. Is that true?*
- *I'm doing a school project on literature created during the Harlem Renaissance. Do you have anything?*
- *Where can I find a copy of George Washington's inaugural address?*
- *What other books can you recommend that are like Stephenie Meyer's "Twilight" novels?*
- *My 2005 Honda Accord is running rough. How can I find out possible causes and get it fixed before the weekend?*

Now you can research your questions online and get reliable answers, free of charge. And you don't even have to go to the library.

There are millions of answers online — we can make sure you find the right ones.

Homework help, health issues, reading for recreation or researching whatever you want, our online gateway is the place to begin.

If you start with the usual search engines instead, you're taking a chance. You might find nothing at all. You might find answers, but you don't know if they're the right ones. Or you might end up at a site that your parents or teachers think is not quite safe.

Our online library brings you answers you can trust, from digital sources that are safe, authoritative, and easy to use. It puts the best online resources in the world at your fingertips, around the clock.

We have the kind of resources that professional researchers rely on most — information sources that would typically cost them thousands of dollars. But using these “hidden web” resources doesn't mean leaving your computer or paying wads of cash to get to them. They're available free of charge to anyone with one of our library cards. They're so user-friendly that almost everyone can be a skilled researcher after using them once or twice. Best of all, you can access all of this information from your own home at any time of day or night.

How do I start?

It's easy. Go to www.pamunkeylibrary.org and choose “Alphabetical Database List” or “Database List by Subject” from the menu on the left of the page. If you need help finding something, e-mail a Reference Librarian at ask@pamunkeylibrary.org