

South Dakota State Library Subscription E-Resources Quick Guide

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Strategy to increase student usage of Online Resources

- Require students use resources for assignments
- Provide a list of resources useful for specific assignment
- Provide guidance in assigning research topics.
- Library databases may provide better information faster than starting with Google
 - For example: State Library online resources (<http://library.sd.gov> >> Online Resources) provide access to Lexile leveled non-fiction and fiction articles, suggested websites and more.
 - Subscription resources: vetted, safe, authoritative

Access State Library Resources (<http://library.sd.gov> >> Click Online Resources)

- Direct access available inside all schools, public libraries and academic institutions
- At-home access available with library card
- Each school has a database access library card that can be shared with teachers, staff and students for at-home access. This number must NOT be posted on the internet.

Quick Reference—which resources are best for:

Elementary/Middle

- SIRS Discoverer
 - Selected full-text magazine articles
- World Book School Edition (Kids, Student, Discover)
 - Source for general background information and term gathering

Middle/High

- Gale Virtual Reference Library
 - Online specialized encyclopedias and dictionaries in health, social studies, literature, science, education and business
- SIRS Issues Researcher
 - Selected full-text magazine articles, research guides for popular topics
- Proquest
 - Journals--popular, trade, & scholarly
- World Book Encyclopedia for Schools (Discover, Advanced)
 - Ebooks, primary source documents and encyclopedia articles

Feature	Resource
Useful for elementary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids (iPad optimized page) • World Book Student (iPad optimized page) • World Book Discover • SIRS Discoverer
Useful for middle school/high school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Discover • World Book Student (iPad optimized page) • World Book Advanced (iPad optimized page) • SIRS Discoverer • SIRS Issues Researcher • Proquest • Gale Virtual Reference Library • Learning Express
Useful for professional development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proquest >> search alerts, journal alerts • SIRS Issues Researcher >> Leading Issues can provide foundation for many topics (for example public policy) • Learning Express >> practice exams, ebooks, courses

South Dakota State Library Subscription Resources: what feature do you need?

All subscription resources can be used for content on iPads via most internet browsers; some special features do not work.

Special Features (*denotes iPad compatible special features)	
Article read aloud	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids • World Book Student • World Book Advanced • World Book Discover • World Book Spanish <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (All English language and Spanish World Book) • SIRS Discoverer* • SIRS Issues Researcher* • Gale Virtual Reference Library*
Auto Repair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ChiltonLibrary
Citation tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Student and World Book Advanced >> Citation builder* • All resources have article citations that can be copied and pasted into a bibliography or works cited page.
Comparison tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids >> World of Animals (compare animals)* • World Book Kids >> Compare Places (compare states, countries, continents)* • World Book Student >> Compare Places* • World Book Advanced >> Compare Places*
Country study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIRS Discoverer >> Country Facts* • World Book Kids >> Compare Places • World Book Student >> Explore South Dakota, USA, etc • World Book Student and World Book Advanced >> Compare Places*
Ebooks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Express Library* • World Book Advanced* • Gale Virtual Reference Library* • eBooks on Ebsco* • SIRS Discoverer* • Tumblebooks*
Foreign Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mango Languages* (via iPad app) • World Book Foreign Language Edition: L'Encyclopédie Découverte (French Language Encyclopedia) • World Book Foreign Language Edition: Enciclopedia Estudiantil Hallazgos (Spanish Language Encyclopedia) • Other World Book modules, Gale Virtual Reference, SIRS Discoverer, SIRS Issues Researcher, ProQuest >> Translation tools
Games	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids >> Games and activities* • World Book Student >> Trivia Quizzes • SIRS Discoverer >> Activities*
Graphic organizers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIRS Discoverer >> Country Facts >> Graphic Organizer: Country Facts* • SIRS Issues Researcher >> Leading Issues >> Research Tools >> My Analysis* and Note Organizer (not iPad compatible) • World Book Advanced & World Book Student >> My Research* • World Book Student >> Educators' Tools >> Graphic organizers • World Book Student & World Book Advanced >> Timelines*
Lexiles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids* • World Book Student • World Book Advanced • World Book Discover • SIRS Discoverer* • SIRS Issues Researcher*

Special Features (*denotes iPad compatible special features)	
Life Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIRS Discoverer • World Book Discoverer • Learning Express • ChiltonLibrary
Literary Criticism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gale Virtual Reference Library • World Book Advanced • World Book Online Reference Center • Proquest
Maps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids >> Maps and More >> outline maps and flags • World Book Discover, Student, Advanced >> Atlas • SIRS Discoverer and SIRS Issues Researcher >> Maps of the World >> historical, current, outline maps* • Sanborn Maps (historical fire insurance maps of SD towns)
Primary Sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Advanced* • Gale Virtual Reference Library* • Heritage Quest, AncestryLibrary, Sanborn Maps
Reviewed websites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIRS Discoverer* • SIRS Issues Researcher* • World Book Kids* • World Book Student* • World Book Advanced* • World Book Discover
Science projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids >> Science projects* • SIRS Discoverer >> Science Fair Explorer • SIRS Discoverer >> Activities >> science & nature projects*
Teacher resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids >> Games and Activities >> Teach It* • World Book Student >> Educators' Tools >> Curriculum Correlations and graphic organizers • World Book Advanced >> Teaching with documents* • SIRS Discoverer and SIRS Issues Researcher >> Educators Resources >>worksheets, SIRS vs. Google* and (top of home page) Common Core Correlations • SIRS Issues Researcher >> Database Features >> Common Core Writing Guide
Videos/sounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Discover >> World Book Explains Videos • World Book Student and World Book Advanced*

Using Electronic Resources to Support Common Core Literacy

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<http://www.library.sd.gov/forlibrarians/enewsletter/2012/mar/2012-03c.asp> and

<http://www.library.sd.gov/forlibrarians/enewsletter/2012/apr/2012-04c.asp>)

Reading for fundamental skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Kids (large font, images and videos, read aloud and reading games) • SIRS Discoverer (highlighting, images, read aloud)
Reading for literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lexiles in all World Book modules, SIRS Discoverer and SIRS Issues Researcher • SIRS Discoverer contains short fiction stories
Reading for informational text	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book (article read aloud, videos, article subheadings) • SIRS Discoverer, SIRS Issues Researcher, Proquest and Gale Virtual Reference Library provide informational articles
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citation builder in World Book Student and Advanced • Citations in articles • CAMIO (slide show or website using art images to use as writing prompts) • World Book Student, Advanced and Discoverer Timelines and Pathfinders • SIRS Issues Researcher >> Leading Issues >> Research Tools >> My Analysis • SIRS Issues Researcher >> Common Core Writing Guide
Speaking and listening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facts and accompanying images—any subscription resource • All World Book English language and Spanish language have read aloud • Gale Virtual Reference Library and SIRS Issues Researcher have article read aloud • SIRS Discoverer has read-aloud plays, read-aloud stories and reading, writing and language projects • World Book Discover has “World Book Explains” videos • Mango Languages has listening & speaking practice for ESL/ELL
Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Express Library provides practice exams, ebooks and courses containing skills improvement in reading and writing • World Book Kids has language games • Mango Languages contains language instructions for 60 non-English languages and English for non-English speakers of several languages