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## CHINUA ACHEBE: *THINGS FALL APART*

Your search for information on **Chinua Achebe** and his book *Things Fall Apart* can include books, periodicals, online databases, and authoritative Internet resources

### Reference Books

Reference books are a good starting point for your research because they help you become better acquainted with your topic. Listed below are some reference books that may be useful in your research.

#### **The Companion to African Literature**

REF PR9340 .C65 2000

#### **The Columbia Guide to Central African Literature in English Since 1945**

REF PR9390.5 .R59 2008

#### **Contemporary Authors New Revision Series**

REF PN771 .C78 (Volume 124)

#### **World Literature and Its Times**

REF PN50 .M625 (Volume 2)

#### **Novels for Students**

REF PN3385 .N68 (Volume 2)

#### **Something About the Author**

REF PN451 .S6 (Volumes 38 and 40)

#### **Black Literature Criticism: Classic and Emerging Authors since 1950**

REF PS153 .N5 B556 2008

#### **Contemporary Authors**

REF PN771 .C78 (Volume 1-4)

#### **Contemporary Literary Criticism**

REF PN771 .C59 (Volume 152)

#### **Multicultural Writers Since 1945: An A-to-Z Guide**

REF PN452 .M88 2004

#### **Twentieth-Century Caribbean and Black African writers. First series**

REF PR9205 .A52 T88 1992

### Books

Use the [Library Catalog](#) located on the Cerritos College [Library Home Page](#) to find books on your topic that are available in the Cerritos College Library. You can search for books by *Author*, *Title*, *Subject*, or *Keyword*. To find books about **Achebe** and *Things Fall Apart*, search by *subject*. Type his last name and then his first, i.e. Achebe, Chinua, and then click "Subject."

### Magazine, Journal and Newspaper Articles

Journals and magazines usually provide the most current information on a topic. Journal articles are more scholarly or professional while magazine articles tend to be shorter and more general. Newspaper articles, while not usually scholarly or professional, can give you the most current news and some additional facts on your topic.

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To find articles on your topic, use one of the online databases listed below. These databases usually provide full-text articles on almost every topic. They are available via the [Library Home Page](#). Conduct your search in these databases by using subject headings and keywords similar to those you used to locate books.

[EBSCOhost](#)

[NewsBank](#)

[Proquest Newspapers](#)

[Gale Databases](#)

[Project Muse](#)

[Ethnic News Watch](#)

[African American Experience](#)

[Oxford African American Studies Center](#)

For remote access to the library databases, login to the [Library](#) using your Cerritos College ID number.

See the [Database Page](#) or handout for a complete description of the Cerritos College Library online resources.

For historical research, the Library also has print indexes that must be used to find older articles, generally anything published before 1985.

### [Internet Sites](#)

The Internet can be a valuable source for supplementing the information you have gathered from books and periodicals. It is important that you evaluate the information you get from the Internet to determine if it is reliable and useful to your research. A few Internet sites that may be useful are listed here.

#### **Reading as a Woman: Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart* and Feminist Criticism**

<http://web.africa.ufl.edu/asq/v5/v5i2a2.htm>

#### ***An Image of Africa*, by Chinua Achebe**

<http://www.cis.vt.edu/modernworld/d/Achebe.html>

#### **Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart*: An Overview**

<http://www.lawrence.edu/alumni/freshmanstudies/Achebe.pdf>

#### **Bibliography on Chinua Achebe** (Some are full text)

<http://evergreen.loyola.edu/tward/www/courses/biblio/achebe.htm>

#### **Chinua Achebe discusses *Things Fall Apart***

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/specials/133\\_wbc\\_archive\\_new/page2.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/specials/133_wbc_archive_new/page2.shtml)

#### **Chinua Achebe an Overview**

<http://www.postcolonialweb.org/achebe/achebeov.html>