

Cerritos College Library

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CHILDREN'S LITERATURE FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION—EDEL 200

Your search for information on **Children's Literature** can include books, periodical articles, online databases, and authoritative Internet resources.

Reference 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.

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 resources that may be useful in your research.

A to Zoo: Subject Access to Children's Picture Books

REF Z1037 .L715 2006

Best Books for Kids who (think they) Hate to Read: 125 books that will turn any kid into a lifelong reader

REF Z1037 .A1 B17 2001

Children's Books: Awards & Prizes

REF Z1037 .A2 W47 2005

Adventuring With Books: A Booklist for Pre-K-Grade 6

REF Z1037 .N346 2002

Books Kids Will Sit Still For: The Complete Read-Aloud Guide

REF Z1037 .F847 1990

Recommended Literature: Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve

REF Z1037 .A1 R4 2002

Magazines, Journals and Newspapers

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.

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.

Online Databases for Children's Literature

Discovering Collection
EBSCOhost

Project Muse

For remote access to the library databases, login to the **Library** using your Cerritos College ID number.

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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.

California Department of Education, Recommended Literature (K-12)

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/rl/ll/>

Caldecott Medal Winners

<http://ala8.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/caldecottmedal/caldecotthonors/caldecottmedal.htm>

Notable Children's Books

<http://ala8.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/childrensnotable/notablecbooklist/currentnotable.htm>

Newbery Medal and Honor Books

<http://ala8.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/newberymedal/newberymedal.htm>

California Young Reader Medals

<http://californiayoungreadermedal.org/>

Coretta Scott King Awards

<http://www.ala.org/ala/emiert/corettascottkingbookaward/corettascott.cfm>

Golden Kite Awards (The Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators)

<http://www.scbwi.org/awards.htm>

Database for Award Winning Children's Literature

<http://www.dawcl.com/>

Literature for Children

<http://susdl.fcla.edu/juv/>