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LibGuides: Jump Start Your Research!



Getting started on a research project is sometimes the most difficult step. To help you, our librarians have compiled more than 70 subject-based guides to get you on your way.

[LibGuides](#) point you to reference materials, books, e-books, journals, and links to Web-based resources. Some LibGuides are created in collaboration with professors to support specific classes. Topics covered include:

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What Is Opposing Viewpoints In Context?

[Opposing Viewpoints in Context](#) is an online resource covering today's hottest social issues. It helps you to research, analyze, and organize a broad variety of data gathered while conducting research, completing a writing assignment, preparing for debates, or creating presentations.



Opposing Viewpoints in Context includes:

- Media-rich topic pages with topic overviews
- Pro/con viewpoint essays
- More than 300 primary source documents
- Biographies of social activists and reformers
- Court-case overviews
- Periodical articles
- Statistical tables, charts, and graphs
- Images and a link to Google Image Search
- Podcasts, including weekly presidential addresses and premier NPR programs
- A national and state curriculum standards search, correlated to the content that allows educators to quickly identify material by grade and discipline.

This electronic information resource is available through the Libraries' [Homepage](#). In the "Research Resources" block, click on the [Databases A-Z](#) link, and scroll down the alphabetical list or use the link to jump to the "O" section of databases.

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The S.W.A.T. Minion's Tip: Web Addresses (URLs)



Q: When we visit a website using our favorite browser, we usually just type in the basic part of the URL and 'arrive' at the desired location without any problems. But have we reached a point where we can start omitting 'www' from the URLs for all websites now, or is it still necessary to add it in?

A: The short answer: "Maybe."

This has nothing to do with the browser; it has to do with the web-server. The web-server is a computer (or even multiple computers) which receives queries for webpages and sends the appropriate data. A URL includes several parts, one of which is the name or address of the web-server.

Many companies host more than just a webserver; they may also run an FTP-server, a database server, a mail server, and so on. These could be hosted from the same machine as the webserver or they may be on different machines.

In the past, it was common to specify the difference via a prefix for consistency. So for example, Acme Industries might buy the domain-name 'acme.org', and then set up one *or more* computers to host the different services they have. When you want to use one of the services, you enter the appropriate host name:

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www.acme.org - Acme's web-site
ftp.acme.org - Acme's file server
sql.acme.org - Acme's database server
pop.acme.org - Acme's incoming mail server
smtp.acme.org - Acme's outgoing mail server
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So why does it still work without 'www'? Because most web servers accept different URLs, and *redirect* them as necessary. It's becoming less and less necessary to include 'www', but it is not universal, and some sites still require it because it helps keep things organized.

Most of the time we can happily (and easily) omit typing in the 'www' portion of URLs for our favorite websites, but there is always a possibility you may encounter the 'rare' website that still requires it.

Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week

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PRONUNCIATION:

(OH-lee-oh)



MEANING:

noun: A miscellaneous collection of things, for example, a variety show.

ETYMOLOGY:

From Spanish olla (pot, stew), from Latin olla (pot). Earliest documented use: 1642.

USAGE:

"I will launch into an olio of malapropisms, bad abbreviations, similar words that tend to be used interchangeably."

All right, Already! Today You Get Plenty of Options; *Daily Herald* (Illinois); Sep 13, 2015.

Although we do not "*repair*" computers, the **S.W.A.T. Team** (Students **Who Assist** [with] Technology) on Level A of Carlson Library is always happy to help. Having an issue? Let us take a *swat* at it!

Something To Think About



Who, being loved, is poor?

~ Oscar Wilde