Proquest’s eLibrary is an excellent reference database that is simple to use and yet powerful in its capability. It is an ideal starting point for both Middle School and older students alike as they begin to research a topic.

eLibrary provides a search engine that gives vetted, useful information from many millions of documents and reference works. Here are some of its excellent features.

**Media Filters:**
One of the aspects that sets eLibrary apart is the ability to make topic searches based on media type. There is a choice of newspapers, pictures, magazines, maps, books, audio-visual, websites and transcripts, and buttons for these can be clicked on or off. If newspaper articles are needed, just click on the icon for newspapers and the results returned will only be newspaper articles.

Starting a Research Paper? Find your Research Topic [here](#).

**Australian content:**

Often so lacking in American-based reference works, this database provides plenty of Australian content. There is even a box if you want Australasian content only. For example, a search for 'Captain Logan' returns excellent resources.
Topics as time-savers:

Searching, for example, ‘Arab Spring’ alerts the user to a ‘Research Topic’, in which most of the work of searching, sifting and selecting has already been done. Click on the ‘Expand this Research Topic’ button to access.

Citations in ALA format:
Every resource that eLibrary returns also lists the reference details in ALA format (our nominated school-wide format). This citation can then be copied and pasted into another document.

Saving and sharing My List in eLibrary:

Even though a teacher’s curation is never done, at least it doesn’t need to be repeated from the beginning every time a unit comes around. To save a search list, create your own eLibrary account. Saved lists can then be shared with other teachers or students.
Tailored timelines:

Information about events and topics can quickly and easily be made and shared with others.
Please note that the Quizzes facility is unfortunately not available in our subscription.

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