



# Searching and Citing American History Online

- Choose “History” from the Topics@Your Library list on the library homepage.
- Under the list of databases, click– American History Online and log in with the library’s user name and password. 
- If you do not remember the user name or password, email Mrs. King.



Use the search box to locate documents, biographies, images, videos, maps, and charts dealing with your topic.

Do not know what topic to research?  
Use the browse tool to get ideas.

[Browse](#)



Need to explore a time period/era in American History? Check out the learning centers.

Hits are sorted by type of information and the “All Results” tab can be overwhelming, so use the tabs that narrow the hits into more reasonable chunks.

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**Biographies=**  
Articles about the people associated with the event or person that you researched.

**Events & Topics=**  
Articles about the event/historical period that you researched.

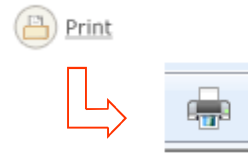
**Primary Source=**  
Documents that are first hand accounts of the events/people associated with your search.

**Images & Videos=**  
Pictures and videos about the event/historical period that you researched.

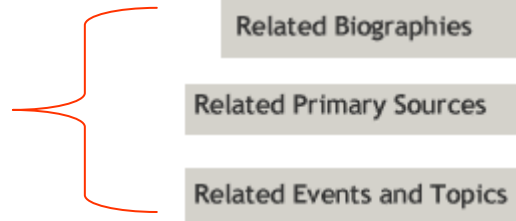
**Maps & Charts=**  
Maps and charts about the event/historical period that you researched.

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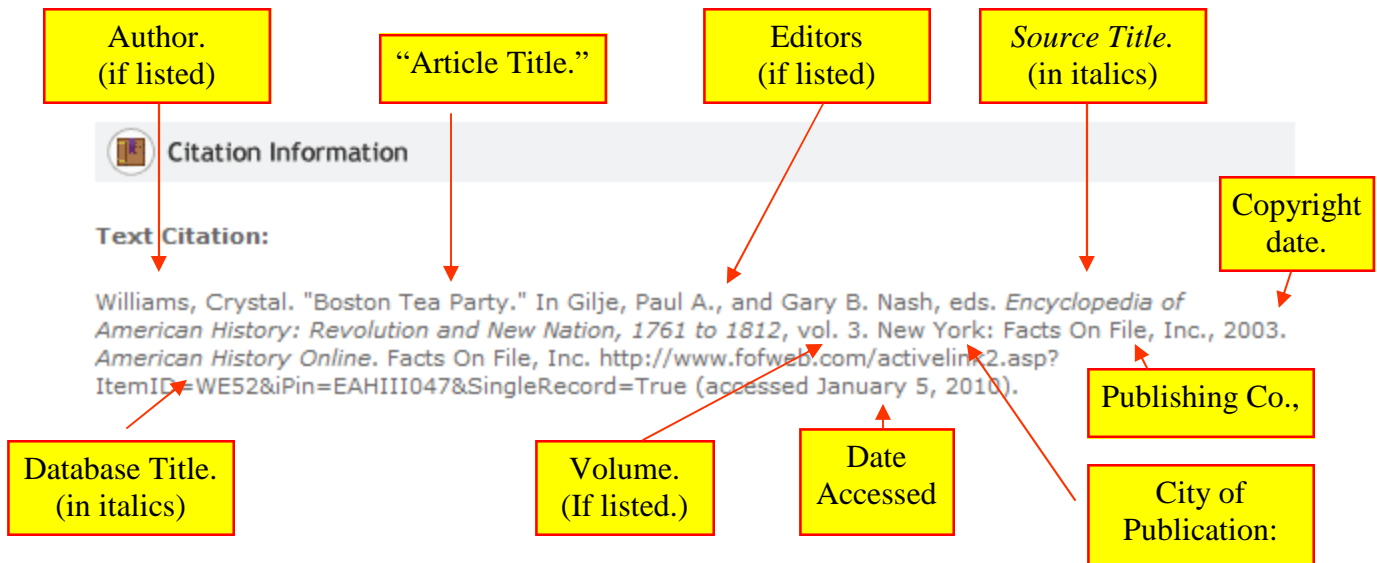
- To read an article, click on the title of the article.
- To print, use the database's print link, then send to the printer using Explorer's print command.
- Below is an example of how to navigate within an article.



In addition to the article, each entry, in the right hand column, has a list of related articles to explore. Use these links to expand or refine your research.



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