



# History 2RR3

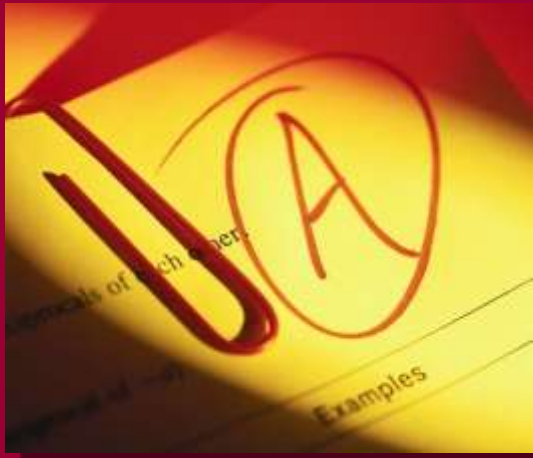
## U.S. History since The Civil War

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# Session Outline

1. PART 1: The Historical New York Times
2. PART 2: America: History and Life
3. PART 3: U.S. History @McMaster Web Site



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questions anytime  
during the session!*

# The Historical New York Times

- Full page and article images with searchable full text back to the first issue (1851-2004)
- Digital reproductions provide access to every page from every available issue

# Getting in to the Historical NYT

- search the Library Catalogue by “in Title”

OR

- click on the “Databases” tab  
type: historical new york times

OR

- from the Library home page
- click on “How to Find...” Newspapers
- click on “Newspaper Collections” Online



# Topic

Find articles about

*President Franklin D.  
Roosevelt's Inauguration  
March 4<sup>th</sup> 1933*

(3 minutes)

# What did you do?

- How did you search?
- What results did you find?



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# Searching Tips & Tricks

- Pick out the main concepts
  - Roosevelt
  - inauguration
- Combine using 'and'
  - Roosevelt and inauguration
- Think of synonyms
  - Roosevelt
  - president
  - FDR
- Join with 'or'
  - (Roosevelt or president or FDR)

# Searching Tips & Tricks

- Use the asterisk symbol \* (truncation) to retrieve plurals and alternate endings
  - inaugura\*
  - inaugural
  - inauguration
  - inaugurations



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# Searching Tips & Tricks: Date Range

- Use the **Date range** function to restrict your search to the date(s) you are interested in
  - Jan 1 ,1933 to Dec. 31, 1933



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# Putting it all together...

(FDR or Roosevelt or president) and inaugura\*  
and (speech or address)

Date range: From 01/01/1933 To 12/31/1933  
(Jan. 1, 1933 To Dec. 31, 1933)

# More Tips & Tricks

- Use **Advanced Search**: more choices to narrow and focus your search  
e.g. Search for your keywords in “Document title” only
- Use **"quotation marks"** to search for exact phrases
  - “inaugural speech”

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# America: History and Life

- Covers the history of the United States and Canada from prehistory to the present
- 2000+ journals
- Also includes book and media reviews and dissertations (or theses)

# Getting in to America: History and Life

- search the Library Catalogue by “Title”

OR

- click on the “Databases” tab
- search “by name”: america history and life

OR

- search “by subject”: History



# Topic

Find articles about

***Vietnam and media coverage***

**(3 minutes)**

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# Searching Tips & Tricks

- Determine your key concepts and combine with “and”
- Think of synonyms and combine with “or”
- Use \* for plurals and alternate endings

# Searching Tips & Tricks

- Use Limits to help narrow your search
  - Languages - English
  - Time Periods - 1975 to 1980
  - Articles

# The “One Good Article” Strategy

- to focus your search
- find 1 good article
- use words from the Subjects to get more articles like it

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**Type:** Article  
**Author:** Huebner, Andrew J.  
**Title:** RETHINKING AMERICAN PRESS COVERAGE OF THE VIETNAM WAR, 1965-68.  
**Citation:** Journalism History 2005 31(3): 150-161. ISSN: 0094-7679  
**Fulltext:** [ [Ebsco](#) ]

**Resource:** [ [get it!](#) ]

**Abstract:** Many scholars and other observers of US press coverage of the Vietnam War have criticized the media for showing either too much or too little. Some have charged the press with sensationalizing the war's difficulties, while others have pointed out its reproduction of the official, optimistic viewpoint particularly before the Tet Offensive of early 1968. This article takes the middle ground, accepting and modifying elements of both positions in this highly partisan debate. Stories from both print and television illustrate that journalists presented disturbing portraits of the American GI and the war before Tet, alongside more optimistic dispatches. Despite common assertions about the shattering effect of the Tet Offensive, press coverage of those attacks repeated, albeit in a more dramatic and consistent fashion, earlier gestures about the war's dark sides.

**Abstracter:** J  
**Language:** English  
**Period:** 1965-68  
**Subject:**  
 Vietnam War.  
 Mass Media.  
 Bias.

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*(or click a subject term to run a new search)*

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# Now “get” the Article

- Look for a full text link to get the article online  
e.g. **Fulltext: [ Jstor ]**

**OR**

- Look for  to help you find the article, either online or in print (by searching the Library Catalogue).

# What if “get it!” doesn’t work?

- If  doesn’t appear, or doesn’t work:
  - open another browser
  - go to the Library Catalogue
  - search by **Journal Title**



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# Getting in to U.S. History @Mac Web Site

- <http://www.humanities.mcmaster.ca/~history/>
- Select “Links”
  - Select “United States History”

OR

- go to the **NEW** “Hitchhiker’s Guide to History” Web page
  - <http://www.humanities.mcmaster.ca/~historyguide/>

# Session Recap

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## Lab time!

- Use this time to research your term paper (due November 26)
- Use this time to find newspaper articles for Tutorial Unit Three: Immigrants and Refugees



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