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Choosing Resources for Information



An almanac contains facts such as weather, population, currency, and geographical data.

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An atlas contains maps and most atlases also have mileage indicators.

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The Internet contains current information on many topics, including current weather. It also has online encyclopedias and other types of resources.

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A live interview provides a first-hand account of a person's experiences.

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The newspaper gives the most current daily news such as current events, sports information, and daily weather.

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The encyclopedia has information on many general topics and people in history.

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The dictionary will give correct spellings of words, their meanings and how to pronounce a word.

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A library automation program will give you the names of authors, titles of books available and a listing of books available in the library.

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Let's Play a Game

- Choose the best resource for the information needed.

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- Jessica wants to know what the weather is like in Minneapolis, Minnesota today. What resource should she use?
 - *Newspaper*
 - *Encyclopedia*
 - *Dictionary*
 - *Library Automation Program*

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- Andres has a report due on American Presidents. What resource should he use?
- *Newspaper*
- *Live interview*
- *Encyclopedia*
- *Atlas*

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- Laura needs to find the meaning of the word "confused". What resource should she use?
 - *Almanac*
 - *Atlas*
 - *Dictionary*
 - *Library Automation Program*

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- Kelly loves to follow the Oakland A's. He wants to know the score for the game last night. What resource should he use?
 - *Newspaper*
 - *Encyclopedia*
 - *Almanac*
 - *Atlas*

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- Tanya loves to read books by Sharon Creech. What resource should she use to find books written by the author?
 - *Interview*
 - *Almanac*
 - *Library automation program*
 - *Dictionary*

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- Justin's family is buying a Siamese Cat. He needs information on this type of cat. What resource should he use?
 - *Dictionary*
 - *Internet*
 - *Newspaper*
 - *Almanac*

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- Claudia needs to find out how to pronounce a word. What resource should she use?
 - *Dictionary*
 - *Atlas*
 - *Almanac*
 - *Television*

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- Spencer wants to find out about the earthquake in Hawaii this morning. What resource should he use?
 - *Encyclopedia*
 - *Internet*
 - *Atlas*
 - *Almanac*

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- Susan is doing a report on Brazil and needs to know what the country's average temperature is in the winter. Where should she look first?
 - *Dictionary*
 - *Television*
 - *Almanac*
 - *Newspaper*

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- Ben needs to know the distance between Paris and Madrid. What resource should he use first?
 - *Personal interview*
 - *Newspaper*
 - *Encyclopedia*
 - *Internet*

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- Marc wants the latest medical news about headaches. Which of the following would provide him with the latest research information?
 - *Books*
 - *Internet*
 - *Atlas*
 - *Newspaper*

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- Pat is doing research on tigers and wants to read a good general background article on the animal. Where should he look?
 - *Newspaper*
 - *Almanac*
 - *Encyclopedia*
 - *Interview with someone that's been to a zoo and seen a tiger*

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- Carol wants to know what it would be like to be a teacher. Where should she turn?
 - *Dictionary*
 - *An interview with a teacher*
 - *Encyclopedia*
 - *Educational journal*

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- Jesse wants to read about the parks project currently taking place in her city. The information seems to change daily. Where should he go for information?
 - *Encyclopedia*
 - *Reference book on parks*
 - *Local newspaper*
 - *Almanac*

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