

Resources for HSC Modern History

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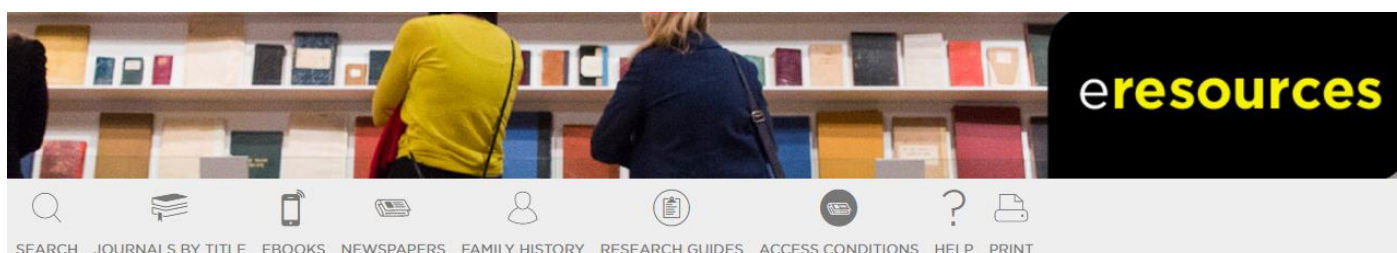
Some suggested terms:

- Keywords eg: World War 1 AND Australia
- Subject Event / Country e.g.: World War, 1914-1918 -- Australia.
- Subject Event / Causes e.g.: World War, 1914-1918 -- Causes.
- Subject and Person e.g.: Churchill, Winston, 1874-1965 -- Military leadership.
- Subject and sub-headings e.g.: World War, 1914-1918 -- Influence.
- Country and Politics e.g.: Germany -- Politics and government -- 1888-1918.

Search tips for catalogue

- Use **Advanced Search** to combine more than one search word
- Punctuation not required in a keyword search
- When searching for author enter surname first (eg Kershaw, Ian)
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Important:

- Locate the subject **HSC** from the list on the left
- Open the '+' box next to **HSC** and tick *History, Modern* for a list of recommended databases
- Or find a specific database by name (eg JSTOR) in *By database title*

Search tips for eResources

- Use "quotation marks" for exact phrase searching
- Use **ADVANCED** search options to combine words using AND, OR, NOT
- Use asterisks * for wildcards- alternative endings of words eg Nazi*= Nazi, Nazis, Nazism
- Select **Full Text** search options to find full text articles only (N.B. In some databases, this will be called "Content I can access")
- Refine your results in some databases by limiting to **scholarly or peer reviewed sources**, for academic level journals which have been evaluated by experts
- Watch your **spelling** – both in terms of accuracy and American spelling variations
- **Vary your search terms**- try synonyms for your topic words

Modern History databases

Choose subjects History and Biography for full list

CAMBRIDGE HISTORIES ONLINE

- Full text of more than 300 books covering Ancient and Modern events, people and civilisations.

GALE PRIMARY SOURCES

- Find primary sources, including British newspapers from the 17th century to present day.
- Excellent source for 20th century.

PROQUEST HISTORICAL NEWSPAPERS

- Full text, primarily American newspapers dating back to the 18th century. Excellent source for 20th century events.

PERIODICAL ARCHIVES ONLINE

- Includes articles written between 1770 to 2005, from scholarly journals and popular magazines.

JSTOR

- JSTOR is a digital archive of scholarly sources with full text access to over 2,000 journals plus primary sources.
- Excellent source for historiography and eminent historians.

PROQUEST RESEARCH LIBRARY

- Full text articles from scholarly and professional journals, and general interest magazines

ACADEMIC SEARCH COMPLETE

- Full text articles and references from scholarly and professional journals, and general interest magazines.

First World War on the State Library website



The State Library of NSW holds a rich collection of resources on the Great War including diaries, letters, maps, photographs, artworks, posters and newspapers.

Browse and search this collection, explore the stories, and join us in commemorating the Australian experiences of the War.

Centenary of the First World War: <http://ww1.sl.nsw.gov.au/> Also see our **World War 1 and Australia** research guide: <http://guides.sl.nsw.gov.au/wwi-and-australia>

Other relevant resources

HSC Help: For more help, the Library holds free HSC Help sessions for English, History, Legal Studies and Society & Culture twice a year during January and April school holidays www.sl.nsw.gov.au/hschelp

