To access our databases from your home or office computer:

1. Go to the Martinsburg–Berkeley County Public Libraries website at http://www.martinsburg.lib.wv.us

2. Click on “Resources.” You will find categories of databases listed. For example, Genealogy, Educational Pursuits, History, Legal Resources, etc. Click on the one that will be most helpful for your research.

3. Within the category you chose, there will be a list of links to databases. Choose one and click on the name of it. A welcome page should appear on the screen.

4. For subscription databases, you will be prompted to enter your 14-digit library card number that is printed on the back of your library card. Do not include spaces. Example: 3210001237856. If prompted for a username and password, please contact the library for information.

5. You should now be able to access information in the selected database.

6. If you experience any problems accessing any of our databases, contact the main library to report the problem. Please provide as many details as possible so that we may try to correct the situation.

Database Descriptions:

- **A to Z Databases** contains detailed information on U.S. businesses, U.S. residences, and household characteristics information.
- **Access Newspaper Archive** is the largest historical collection of international newspapers online.
- **America’s Historical Newspapers** allows searching American newspapers from 1690 to 1922 to explore America’s past.
- **American History Online** covers themes, events, places, historical figures, and cultural developments in American history.
- **Ancestry.com** [in-library use only] includes census, vital, church, court, and immigration records for the U.S., U.K., and Canada.
- **Biography Resource Center** contains biographical information for famous personalities from around the world.
- **Books & Authors** is a resource for book suggestions, titles, and author biographies including a personal reading room where you can review books.
- **Chilton Library** includes step-by-step instructions for auto repair with illustrations and diagrams, plus troubleshooting guides.
- **Cochrane Library** is a collection of current, evidence-based healthcare databases with articles from research and professional journals.
- **College Blue Book** is a guide to colleges in the U.S. and Canada plus distance learning programs in the U.S.
- **Consumer Health Complete** has information from health pamphlets and reports, health news, alternative health sources, and drug herb information.
- **eLibrary** includes full-text articles from more than 2,500 magazines, newspapers, books, and transcripts, plus pictures, audio, and videos.
- **EBSCO Research Databases** provide full-text articles from more than 1,090 periodicals covering business, consumer health, general reference, and scientific issues.
- **Gale Legal Forms** includes official state-specific federal, business, personal, and general forms covering hundreds of legal subjects and issues.
- **Gale Virtual Reference Library** includes encyclopedias, almanacs, and specialized reference sources for various fields of research.
- **GenealogyBank** [in-library use only] is an American historical newspaper archive from 1690 to the present.
- **GreenFILE** offers well-researched information on aspects of human impact on the environment.
- **Grovler Multimedia Encyclopedia** is a quick reference with multimedia and news features and links to current website.
- **HeritageQuest Online** provides users with a collection of census records, publications, and research materials for tracing family history and genealogy.
- **Job & Career Accelerator** offers the opportunity to match interests with occupations, to explore available jobs, to create resumes, and to organize and track job search progress.
- **LawDepot** allows you to watch how-to videos, find a lawyer online, and create customized legal forms.
- **Learning Express Library** offers an interactive online learning platform of practice exams designed to help you with the SAT, GED, ASVAB, and Civil Service tests, skill-building, job search skills, and more.
- **LexisNexis** [in-library use only] offers WV legal resources such as the WV Code and case law plus national law publications.
- **Litfinder** includes the full text of poems, essays, and short stories, plus explanations, summaries, biographies, pictures, and more.
- **Mango Languages** focuses on teaching actual conversation skills at basic and advanced levels for dozens of languages through self-paced courses.
- **Modern World History** is a database of primary sources, maps, charts, and timeline entries that give a detailed view of modern world history.

NOTE: The articles and information on the library's online databases may be used for research and educational purposes. Follow proper methods for citing your sources. Writing style manuals and style-sheets may be found in the reference department on the top floor of the main library. Many style manuals are also available for checkout.

You can also access some style guides by visiting Purdue’s Online Writing Lab (OWL) at http://owl.english.purdue.edu/. This link is also available on our “Resources” page.
NoveList Plus helps readers locate book titles and provides other information through feature articles, book discussions guides, and more.

Points of View is a full-text database designed to provide students with a series of essays that present multiple sides of current issues.

Price It! Antiques & Collectibles is an online tool with over 10 million images for persons looking to buy, sell, or appraise their treasures.

Science Online, an authoritative and highly visual science resource, featuring articles about science in the news, experiments and activities, animations and diagrams and more.

Searchasaurus is a fun way for children to search reference materials such as encyclopedias, magazines, newspapers, and books.

Small Business Resource Center covers the major areas of starting and operating a business, including accounting, finance, management, marketing, taxes, and more.

Something About the Author examines the lives and works of authors and illustrators for children and young adults.

Student Research Center features a search interface designed especially for secondary school students to access information from a wide variety of reference sources.

Universal Class allows access to over 500 online non-credit continuing education courses (not intended to be a substitute for licensing or education requirements).

Value Line Research Center provides company and markets data, and stocks and mutual fund information for personal investment research.

West Virginia Info Depot is a group of databases provided by the WV Library Commission with funds form the WV legislature and the Library Services & Technology Act.

What Do I Read Next? includes thousands of recommended titles, plot summaries, and awards information to help users uncover new reading adventures.

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The mission of the Martinsburg-Berkeley County Public Libraries is to improve the quality of life for all citizens of Berkeley County by offering services that are indispensable to all, and which provide a community where popular materials are abundant, reading is valued and learning never ends.

Online Databases & Electronic Services

You can access information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at home, at work, and at play:

- Antiques and collectibles
- Authors and literary works
- Auto repair information
- Biographies
- Downloadable audio, magazines, and e-books
- Encyclopedias
- Financial investment information
- Genealogy Sources
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- Language and online courses
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