



Finding primary sources in the library

Some possible primary sources found in the Library

Articles from magazines written at time of the event and first hand accounts are primary sources. For example, articles on the John F. Kennedy assassination published the week of November 22, 1963 could be a primary source. However, each source must be evaluated independently to determine if it is a primary source. Primary sources are records of a place, time, event, or person that are the direct result of first hand experience of a time or event. The library will have some primary sources, but they may be difficult to uncover. The terms on the left can be used as keywords with the corresponding book or database listed in the right column.

Periodicals

Atlantic Monthly
Harper's New Monthly Magazine
Life
Literary Digest
Newspapers
Newsweek
Time
US News & World Report
Vital Speeches

Finding Aid *Readers Guide to Periodical Literature* (InLibrary)

1925-
1850-1881
1936-1972
1912-1937
Lexis-Nexis back to 1980
1954-
1935-
1950-
1960-

Government Documents

Presidential papers

The War of the Rebellion....
Trial of The Major War Criminals....
Nazi Conspiracy and Aggression
Congressional Globe & Record
Statistical Reports

Finding Aid

Marcive Web Docs
<http://voyager.lambuth.edu:2048/login?url=http://www.marcive.com/webdocs.dll>
GPO Catalog

Books, Recording and Visual Materials

Personal Narratives
Diaries

Memoirs
Correspondence
Archives
The Annals of America

OPAC <http://voyager.lambuth.edu>

Card Index In Archives
Net Library <http://www.netlibrary.com> You will need to create an account on campus

Reference: E 173.A793 2003

Electronic Resources

American Memory Project <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/>
Avalon Project <http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/avalon.htm>
EuroDocs <http://library.byu.edu/~rdh/eurodocs/>
Making of America <http://www.hti.umich.edu/m/moagrp/> and <http://cdl.library.cornell.edu/moa/>

For more information on this topic

<http://www.lib.washington.edu/subject/History/RUSA/#two>