Do You Have a Library Card? APPLY NOW!

You can apply for a virtual card online! The Placentia Library virtual library card (VLC) is an electronic library card number that provides you access to the Placentia Library’s electronic resources, eBooks, digital audio books and most of our databases. The VLC number is not valid for checking out print books or other physical library materials.

Renewals

Renewals available by calling (714) 528-1906 or 24/7/365 at www.placentialibrary.org
Patrons may renew twice unless item is requested by another patron.

If a borrower does not manually renew an item, and there are no requests for that item, it will be automatically renewed up to two times. Borrowers are notified by email when an item automatically renews. Auto renewals are triggered in the day end process on the date that the item is due.

Auto-renewals require that the patron have an email address in their record. If the patron does not have an email address, their items will not be renewed automatically.

ITEM LOAN LIMITS & POLICY

- 5 items out at a time (for the first month for new library card holders only).
- 25 items out at a time (after the first month).
- 3 week loan period for books, audiobooks, and magazines.
- 2 week loan period for Library of Things (LOTS) collection.
- 1 week loan period for video games and DVDs.
- 5 new video games and new DVDs allowed at one time
- e-books and e-audiobooks available through Hoopla and OverDrive.

PLACENTIA LIBRARY COVID-19 REOPENING PLAN

View information about our reopening plan on Page 2 or www.placentialibrary.org/covid-19
Library Director Message

Dear Placentia Library District Patrons,

“This is not the year to get everything you want. This is the year to appreciate everything you have." – Anonymous

The holidays are sure to look a little different this year for your family. We are battling an invisible enemy that has caused our community physical and mental illness. Despite the challenges expected this year, we will embrace and appreciate our families this Thanksgiving, Christmas, Kwanzaa, and Hanukkah. Though we may not be able to get together in person to celebrate the holidays, there’s still time to borrow library materials (books, library of things, dvds, video games, etc.) to share with families -- whether in-person with your immediate family or via a virtual presence. On a personal note, my nine siblings and I will be dropping off dishes for our 80-year-old parents on Thanksgiving day and meeting via zoom to pray together. Like most families, we had to cancel getting together – but we will find comfort in being able to see our faces and hear our voices, albeit in a virtual setting.

Though 2020 was challenging, to say the least, the year has provided us with an opportunity to be more innovative in our service responses to our community. We wanted to share with you some highlights of our virtual services since March and how we have responded to your needs.

- 64,199 virtual programming viewship
- 85 storytimes with an attendance of 52,273
- 23 makerspace programs with an attendance of 6,447
- 2,685 take home kits distributed
- 1,536 lunches and enrichment kits distributed
- 2,740 curbside request filled
- 2,215 passport applications processed
- 124 home deliveries
- 74 literacy programs with an attendance of 554
- 37 teen programs with an attendance of 266
- 28 Director’s messages

We are delighted to offer our community so many programs and services during a time when families need a place that is welcoming and safe. You can depend on us for opportunities to learn, explore, connect, and gather in a socially-distancing environment. We are thankful to all our staff -- who are nothing short of amazing! This year I have 20 additional staff blessings to thank – Alyssa, Ana, Angie, Beatrice, Deanna, Erich, Estella, Fernando, Jon, Katie, Laura, Lori, Megan, Michelle, Sabrina, Sally, Shellie, Venessa, Victor, and Yesenia. They are the reason for your reading pleasures, your children's smiles and giggles, and our community’s vitality.

Even in a pandemic, the holidays should remain focused on food, family and gratitude. This year, it is also a holiday of hope and faith. Have a happy and blessed Thanksgiving, Christmas, Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, and New Year. We look forward to serving you in 2021!

Respectfully,
Jeanette Contreras

Jeanette Contreras
LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Gayle Carline
PRESIDENT
Al Shkoler
SECRETARY
Jo-Anne Martin
TRUSTEE
Richard DeVecchio
TRUSTEE
Elizabeth D. Minter
TRUSTEE

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Winter Reading Challenge

November 20, 2020 - January 15, 2021

www.placentialibrary.org/winter-reading

Who doesn’t enjoy snuggling up with a good book when it’s cold outside? The more you read, the more chances you have to win. Take a little bit of time out of your busy holiday schedule to relax, have fun, learn, and READ! All ages welcome! Complete an online form to enter.

Ages 0-13: For every 100 minutes you read (or are read to) you’ll earn the chance to win one of our fabulous Kid’s Grand Prizes.

- Fire HD 10 Kids edition Tablet & a book about computers for children
- DIY art supplies with a Michael’s $50.00 gift card & a book about art for children
- Sillbird STEM 12-in-1 Education Solar Robot with a $50.00 Amazon gift card & a book about robots for children

Ages 14-110: For each book you read you earn a chance at one of our exciting Teen and Adult Grand Prizes.

- $300 Gift Card to Nordstrom
- Traxxas RC Car - Big Foot Classic
- Placentia Favorites Gift Basket— a variety of gift cards to some of Placentia’s local favorites!

Register at www.placentialibrary.org/winter-reading beginning November 20!

Book a Librarian

Need a little extra help with research or one-on-one help with a computer? Are you having trouble downloading an eBook or want a personal tour of the Library’s resources? Reserve a free half-hour session with one of our librarians as they personally assist you with your reference and technology needs. This service is designed to offer dedicated, one-on-one, uninterrupted personal assistance scheduled at your convenience. This service is available virtually by phone, email, or Zoom meeting. Contact the Information Desk or complete an online form at www.placentialibrary.org to schedule an appointment.

LEARN MORE HERE:

www.placentialibrary.org/book-librarian

Hot Spot and Laptop Checkout Available Now!

In order to help our patrons with computer and internet access, the Placentia Library has purchased laptop computers and hot spots. These items can be checked out to valid library patrons. See the library’s website for Guidelines for Borrowing and Use, Loan Limits, Liability, and Proper Care and Use.
The Hangar Hours*:
Tuesday: 12:00 – 7:30 P.M.
Thursday: 12:00 – 7:30 P.M.
Saturday: 9:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

*During the library’s Phase 1 Curbside Service and Phase 2 Limited In-Person Services the Hangar will be closed but staff is available to help answer your at home project questions. Contact us at hangar@placentialibrary.org or (714) 528-1906 Ext. 206.

Placentia Library welcomes you to The Hangar, a place to design, build, tinker, explore, and create! Use our maker equipment to develop your projects, pick up a new hobby, or get expert advice from our resident Tinkerer. The Hangar is open to adults and teens ages 14+ with a valid library card, ID and signed waiver. Makers ages 9-13 are welcome with supervision from a parent or guardian.

Adult & Teen Take and Make!
Every month, we’ll have a different kit available with all the supplies you’ll need for that month’s project. Pick up your kit from the library, watch the tutorial on the Hangar’s YouTube playlist at home, and make your creation! Adult and Teen events in the Hangar are open to makers ages 14 and up. Kits will be available the first (open) day of each month, one kit per library card and while supplies last.

Tuesday, December 1: Mason Jar Snow Globe
Let it Snow! Make a glittery Mason Jar Snow Globe to decorate for the holiday and winter season. Pre-order your kit November 1-7 at www.placentialibrary.org/take-and-make-kit-preorder

Saturday, January 2: Crochet Coffee Cozy
Sweater season is finally here... Learn to crochet so you can make a sweater for your mug! Pre-order your kit December 1-7 at www.placentialibrary.org/take-and-make-kit-preorder

Tuesday, February 2: LOVE-ly Stitch Sampler
Cuddle up with your embroidery hoop and learn these stitches by heart! Pre-order your kit January 1-7 at www.placentialibrary.org/take-and-make-kit-preorder

Video Tutorials:
www.youtube.com/c/placentialibrarydistrict
Meet Our Tutors and Learners:

Taru shares her experience as a learner in the Adult Literacy Program:

When Taru started taking her granddaughter to the Placentia Library for the storyline programs, she learned about the library’s Adult Literacy program and soon after began working with a tutor with the goals of helping her granddaughter with homework and build her English language communication skills.

Through her unwavering commitment to learning new things, Taru has been meeting and exceeding her goals. In addition to weekly sessions with her tutor Ramona, Taru is an active participant in the literacy program’s Read, Write, Speak Club, Literacy Reads! Book Club, and the annual Summer Reading Program. She also enjoys attending the yoga, tai chi, and Hangar classes at the library. Taru has formed friendships with fellow learners and has had many opportunities to use her literacy skills.

Seeing her consistent involvement in community events, Taru has become a learner leader in the Adult Literacy program. Taru recently participated in the Key to Community Project, including the Easy Voter Guide working group. She also helped lead an Adult Literacy Voting Workshop, where she was excited to share her experience participating in the election process. Though Taru had voted in the past, this was the first time she didn’t need help from her husband in understanding the candidates and measures on her ballot. She voted based on what matters to her and researched the candidates and measures on her own, using her favorite website, Voter’s Edge. She even helped others in her family navigate the voting process this year! She can’t wait to continue building her skills and deepen her civic engagement in the future as one of our emerging learner leaders in the literacy program. She wants to help other learners become more connected to their community. Her advice is, “Don’t miss your opportunity, and never give up.”

Learner Achievements!

- David got a job with the Employment Development Department.
- Bao passed the citizenship test.
- Chia Ying improved her spelling and grammar and now feels more confident writing emails at work.

Read Better, Write Better, and Live Better!

Our library offers one-to-one reading and writing tutoring for English-speaking adults, 18 or older, who read and write below an 8th grade level. Our trained volunteers meet with you one-on-one to help you reach your personal learning goals such as:

- Read a book, newspaper, or magazine
- Read to your child or grandchild
- Improve job skills
- Prepare to vote
- Pass citizenship test or obtain high school equivalency certificate

Become an Adult Literacy Tutor

No Experience Needed

Help an adult learn to read and write, and change a life! Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, and able to commit to tutoring 1-2 hours per week for a minimum of 6 months. We provide the training, materials, and ongoing support you need to help an adult learner reach their personal literacy goals.

Get Help Passing the GED or HISET Test

We offer free tutoring to help you reach your academic goals! Meet with a volunteer tutor 1-2 times per week, based on your availability, and get help preparing for a high school equivalency certificate. All study materials are provided for free. Must be at least 18 years old and able to commit to weekly tutoring for a minimum of 6 months.
Literacy Reads
Every Tuesday, 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
*No class: December 22 or December 29
Zoom Virtual Meeting
Join us for Literacy Reads, a book club for beginning readers and English language learners! Practice your reading and speaking skills, learn new words, and virtually meet others in this fun and informal book club. Reading selections will include a variety of reading levels.

Read, Write, Speak Club
Every Friday, 9:30 – 11:00 A.M.
*No class: December 25 or January 1
Zoom Virtual Meeting
The Read, Write, Speak Club is an opportunity to chat with other English language learners in a relaxed and comfortable virtual environment. Learn new vocabulary, improve reading and writing, and sharpen your pronunciation skills.

Pronunciator
Learn a Language - FREE through Placentia Library!
For adults, teens and children!
Pronunciator is a free app and website available with your library card. Pronunciator offers lessons and instructions for 160 languages, as well as ESL courses.

Instructions on how to access:
1. Visit www.placentialibrary.org and click on the “Catalog, eBooks & Music” tab on the top right, then select the Databases link.
2. Click on the link for Pronunciator: Language Laboratory.
3. On the Pronunciator page, under “First time here?” type in your library card number and then click “Register.”
4. Once registered, create a username (your email) and password to track your progress.
5. Now that you have an account, you can download the app on iOs and log in your username and password.
Volunteer at the Placentia Library

Placentia Library and Virtual

Placentia Library volunteers make meaningful contributions to the library and our community while learning new skills and having fun. An active library card, volunteer application and orientation are required.

Current volunteers opportunities include Adult Literacy Tutors, Placentia Teen Advisory Council and Teen Review Crew. Visit page 5-6 for more information on becoming an Adult Literacy tutor and page 8 for information on joining the Placentia Teen Advisory Council and Teen Review Crew.

Family Cooking Time with Gingerbread Oh MY!

Zoom Virtual Meeting

Create fun memories (and sticky fingers) baking and building your own gingerbread house with help from the Placentia Library! Order the free kit, watch the step-by-step video and bake your cookies. Join our Zoom building class on Sunday, December 13 at 2:00 P.M. and we’ll answer questions and build together. Can’t make the class? No worries, we will have a step-by-step videos available Monday, December 14 on our social media accounts. Orders available beginning Saturday, November 14. Kit pickup December 10-12, details will be emailed to confirmed participants. Limit 1 per household. Must have an Adult Placentia Library Card.

Family Cooking Time with Pancakes Oh MY!

Zoom Virtual Meeting

Who doesn’t love pancakes? Cook up a new family tradition and whip up some pancake recipes from around the world with help from the Placentia Library! Order the free pancake making kit, then join our Zoom cooking class on Sunday, February 21 at 2:00 P.M. and we’ll cook together. Can’t make the class? No worries we will have a step-by-step video available Monday, February 22 on our social media accounts. Orders available beginning Saturday, January 16. Kit pickup February 18-20, details will be emailed to confirmed participants. Limit 1 per household. Must have an Adult Placentia Library Card.
**Placentia Teen Advisory Council (PTAC)**

**Zoom Virtual Meeting**

The Placentia Teen Advisory Council is open to all high school students interested in gaining community service experience, volunteer hours, and leadership skills, through planning and supporting library events. For more information contact Victor Meza at (714) 528-1906 ext. 234 or vmeza@placentialibrary.org.

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**Groovy Tie Dye Towel**

**Supply Kit & Virtual Tutorial**

Spend some time at home flexing your artistic muscles while you create unique and colorful designs. Teens will have the chance to create their own tie dyed hand towel to add a groovy look to their bathroom or exercise routine! Pick up your kit from the library, watch the tutorial on the Placentia Library’s YouTube page at home, and make your creation! Kits will be available to teens ages 14-18 only, one kit per library card, pickup begins January 9, while supplies last.

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**Teen Review Crew**

**Virtual**

Need community services hours?! The Teen Review Crew provides an opportunity for teens ages 14-18 to earn community service hours by submitting qualifying book reviews. Reviews will be posted on the library’s website and social media.

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**Teen Dating & Healthy Relationships**

**Zoom Virtual Meeting**

Navigating relationships can be difficult at any age. Join us for an informative presentation on healthy relationships, healthy boundaries and effective communication for teens.
Rise and Shine! It’s Storytime!
Facebook Live
Join us for a fun-filled storytime on Saturday mornings as we read amusing stories, learn fun songs and rhymes that engage your child and boost motor skills and concepts such as their ABC’s, counting, and colors too! All ages are invited!

Sunshine Babies & Toddler Tales Virtual Storytime
Facebook Live
Get ready to dance, clap and sing along with a virtual storytime designed with music, movement and fun! Immersed in an engaging environment, babies and toddlers are exposed to early literacy skills through silly songs, delightful books and fingerplays. Simple counting, rhyming words and color concepts prepare babies and toddlers for kindergarten success. Created for ages 0-4 with caregiver participation.

Luna, Luna! A Bilingual Pajama Virtual Storytime!
Facebook Live
Luna, Luna! is a biweekly evening storytime with rhymes, songs and stories in English and Spanish! Children will learn new vocabulary in both languages and be introduced to the wonderful world of dual language learning.

Share your pictures with us!
Tag us at @placentialib on Instagram or “Placentia Library” on Facebook, or email us at information@placentialibrary.org!
Seasonal Crafternoons for Family-Friendly Stories & Crafts!

Facebook Live

We will celebrate the seasons with hands-on family-friendly stories, songs, and craft activities! Before each program, pick up free craft kits at curbside library pickup. Craft kit pickup times are the week before each Crafternoon program, between 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Limit 4 Craft kits per family, while supplies last. Library card is required.

December 15 – Celebrate the holiday season with stories, songs & and a craft!

February 9 – We will have special Valentine’s day stories, and make Valentine’s day cards!

Afterschool S.T.E.A.M. Club

Facebook Live

Join us for short lessons and hands-on activities that are based on science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics (S.T.E.A.M.)! This program is intended for students in grades 3-8, and for students in grades K-2 with adult help.

Kids Take 5: Grab & Go Books!

Need books for your little ones? No time to browse or choose online? We’re here to help! Fill out the form on our website and our staff will provide 5 picture books or board books (chosen at random) for you to pick up!

Learn More Here:

www.placentialibrary.org/kids-take-5
A Message From Our PLFF President

The Placentia Library Friends Foundation hopes this newsletter finds you and your loved ones healthy and safe. The world has changed quite a bit since COVID-19 took hold of us in March. Like many non-profit organizations, business has ground to a halt or operations are at reduced capacity. Unfortunately, the Friends Bookstore at the library and Second Sunday Sales have had to be suspended entirely due to orders by the Governor of California. Our income has gone with that. One thing for you to know is that the Placentia Library, and all libraries, will be facing large cuts to their budgets due to state budget cuts. Our mission at PLFF to support the library is more critical than ever before.

The entirety of the Placentia Library Friends Foundation’s profit has always gone to support programs and services, funding the extras that the library budget does not allow. Any funds raised now will continue in this way, but will also help fund the library shortfall to keep operations going. This includes curbside pickup and delivery.

We all love our library and want to support it to the best of our ability. To that end, many will be receiving your PLFF membership renewal shortly. Certain events delayed our ability to send it in June, as is usual. We really want to encourage you to renew your membership and/or take out a new membership in order to assist the library through changes and keep funding those special programs and services. If called to, a donation of any amount, small or large, added to your membership will go a particularly long way right now, in particular. If you would like to make a donation and do not have a membership, please use our website placentialibraryfriends.com, or contact me by email: plff@placentialibraryfriends.com.

A big thank you to all of our bookstore volunteers, who have been contacted about resuming their shifts when the library is able to open to the public again. The overwhelming majority are very eager to return, which is very much appreciated. Of course we will have safety precautions in place to protect everyone.

PLFF has an ad on volunteermatch.org recruiting sorters and pricers for the bookstore. As soon as we are allowed, we will be bringing in these new volunteers for training so operations will run smoothly. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send an email to plff@placentialibraryfriends.com. You can also use the form on volunteer match.org to submit your information. The only major restriction is that you must be 18 or older to join the Friends and volunteer for us.

PLFF is actively looking for new board members to assist with the work we continue to do behind the scenes while being closed to the public. No experience is required and we welcome people of all ages (18+) and backgrounds. All we ask for is a love of libraries, books, community work, or any combination of the three. We meet the second Monday of each month (except for August) at 6:30pm, currently by Zoom, but usually at the library in the conference room. We work on fundraising beyond the bookstore, such as our annual Author’s Luncheon. With the uncertainty of when large group gatherings will be allowed, we are focusing on virtual fundraising methods. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send an email to plff@placentialibraryfriends.com.

Thank you all for continuing to support the Placentia Library Friends Foundation. Please also sign up for the Placentia Library newsletter. Our Library Director uses this method to continually update the community on the latest news, including changes and re-opening announcements. We also hope you understand that we cannot accept used book donations at this time due to a small storage and very limited staff on site allowed. We will resume book donations as soon as we can. Enjoy your time as summer moves into Fall. We all hope to be seeing you soon!

2020 Author’s Luncheon

Judy A. Bernstein, who co-wrote They Poured Fire on us From the Sky and Disturbed in their Nests, spoke at our 2020 Author’s Luncheon.
PYLUSD is Grateful for a Supportive Community

The Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District (PYLUSD) continues to serve as a dynamic and supportive learning community for students and families thanks to strong local partnerships with organizations such as the Placentia Library. Despite the unprecedented challenges our community has faced in 2020, our school district has continued to benefit greatly from the Placentia Library’s steadfast commitment to offering an extensive list of future-ready educational resources to our PYLUSD students and families. We are incredibly grateful for such opportunities for our community’s children.

Our 25,000 elementary, middle, and high school students are incredibly fortunate to have continued access to the Library’s comprehensive collection of resources during remote learning and now hybrid instruction. This includes books and eBooks, research materials, technology, digital magazines and music, and more with convenience of curbside pickup throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Virtual storytime and craft tutorials, study opportunities, and online STEAM programs continue to afford positive and enjoyable learning opportunities for students of all ages in a unique way.

As stated in their mission, the Placentia Library strives to provide lifelong learning and reading opportunities that inspire, open minds, and bring our community together. I can say with confidence that the Library has done just that regardless of the circumstances 2020 has brought upon our global society. Now more than ever, PYLUSD is very grateful for strong local organizations like the Placentia Library and their unwavering support of our students and families.

Erich Grimm

Congratulations!

Erich has worked for the Placentia Library District since 2013. He was first hired as a Substitute Library Page, and has earned his way up the ranks later becoming Part-Time Library Aide, and we now welcome him as a Full-Time Library Clerk for the team. Erich recently graduated from the California State University of Fullerton with a Bachelor’s degree in Physics. One of Erich’s best hobbies includes the creation of new and highly detailed dioramas and figurines. Along with his background as a media/sound technician for a local church, his educational background, previous work experience and attention to detail, we are sure he will succeed in his new role for years to come. Congratulations!

Beatrice Quintanar

Bon Voyage!

Beatrice will retire from the Placentia Library District after a great 22 year run. Originally hired as a Library Clerk for her strong background in customer service, she immediately had a positive impact with patrons and colleagues. Through the years, she was mostly known for her impeccable passport application processing and bedazzled gifts; she will be sorely missed. We thank Ms. Quintanar for her unwavering dedication and loyalty to the District since 1998. We wish you the best on this new journey!

Employee of the Year

Alyssa Stolze

Alyssa was hired by the Placentia Library District in December 2017. Since her hire, she has been a key part of the team in moving the goals of the District forward, and thus she has earned a second nomination for Employee of the Year in such short time. At the core of her nomination are her organizational and people skills. These traits have allowed Alyssa to navigate successfully on behalf of the District and secure multiple award recognitions for the District, participate in the Cowabunga and Gala Fundraising committees, plan the annual Staff Appreciation Dinner, and be instrumental in having a successful Grand Re-Opening. Congratulations on being recognized as the 2019/2020 Employee of the Year!
Access With Your Library Card!

Did you know your Placentia library card provides you FREE access to some of the best digital resources, apps, and websites available today? Check out our resources page to find your digital library card perks. Connecting is as easy as a few clicks of your mouse.

Many of our databases are available through web or mobile apps.

DATABASES:

www.placentialibrary.org/resources/subscription-databases

Entertainment and Book Resources

**Overdrive/Libby**
Download free eBooks and eAudiobooks to your phone, eReader, tablet, computer, or mp3 device! Access through the website or an easy to use app. New titles and new releases added each month.

**Hoopla**
Instantly borrow free digital movies, music, ebooks, audiobooks, graphic novels, TV shows and more, 24/7 with your library card. No waiting, ever! Stream immediately or download to phones, tablets, for offline viewing anytime, anywhere.

**RBdigital**
Access your favorite magazine, for free, digitally through RBdigital! Access to hundreds of popular titles; current and back issues available now, no waiting!

**Freegal**
Enjoy access to 15+ million songs from 200+ genres with Freegal. Streaming is unlimited and you can download up to 5 songs each week, yours to keep until you delete. Create, save, and share playlists!

**Novelist**
Looking for book recommendations? Who needs Goodreads or Amazon reviews when you have Novelist. From read-a-likes, book club resources and author lists find your next great read with Novelist!

**Novelist K-8**
Excellent resource for looking for recommended children’s books! This resource makes it easy to find the right book to match your child’s interests and reading level. Both fiction and non-fiction titles for children are included.

Tap into Discovery. Instantly Read, Listen, and Watch with Your Library Card.

3-Step Sign-Up
1. Download the app or go to hoopladigital.com.
2. Log in with your library card.
3. Borrow and enjoy!
Lifelong Learning

Heritage Quest
What better way to spend time during quarantine than to start researching your family history? Powered by Ancestry,® Heritage Quest provides you free access to a variety of searchable databases, convenient research guides, war records, census data, obituaries and much more. What are you waiting for; start building your family tree today!

Pronunciator: Language Laboratory
Always meant to learn another language but kept putting it off? Pronunciator is a fun and easy way to learn any of the 163 languages included with personalized courses, movies, music, and more.

Student Resources

Gale Resources
Gale offers a variety of resources for education, lifelong learning, and academic research available in easy to use websites.
- If you are looking for biographical information check out Biography In Context.
- If you are searching for contextual information and opinions on hundreds of today’s hottest social issues check out Opposing Viewpoints.
- Need sources to cite for a paper or looking for a magazine article? Try the General Reference Center.
Each site provides you with peer-reviewed articles; full-text magazines, newspapers, and eBooks; primary source documents; academic journals; statistics; images; websites; and videos or podcasts. Gale puts the right vetted content and tools at your fingertips!

Tutor.com
Need a little extra help with your school work, a math problem troubling you or just need an extra pair of eyes to review a paper? Check out Tutor.com, where you can submit your questions and get live one-to-one help, available every day from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Help for students from elementary through college!

ABC Mouse
The #1 learning app for children ages 2–8+ is available for free with your library card! ABC Mouse offers more than 8,500 activities that teach award winning curriculum in reading, math, science, health, social studies, art, and music. Make learning fun with books, games, songs, puzzles, videos, and more!

Britannica School / Britannica Escolar
There’s nothing like a good old fashioned Encyclopedia to answer your questions. It is now searchable in an easy to use website and available in four versions: Elementary School, Middle School, High School and Spanish. No more volumes to page through and no more guessing with Google - start here with trusted sources and accurate, up to date information.
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NOVEMBER 20 – JANUARY 15

WINTER READING CHALLENGE

All Ages! Enter for a chance to win amazing prizes!