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The Michigan eLibrary (MeL) is your 24-hour link to **quality information** on virtually any topic. Vetted by professionals for resources that are **reliable, timely** and virtually **free of advertising**, MeL features **easy-to-use gateways** that allow you to find varying types of resources such as books and audiovisual materials, magazine and newspaper articles, digitized resources, indexes, ebooks, and/or web resources.



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Read full text articles from magazines and newspapers; find current reference sources; use advanced search functions

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Explore Michigan's heritage through photographs, diaries, oral histories, local records and historical data

Featured Resources

Find recommended links on a variety of subjects, special topics, and other MeL services

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Michigan Online Resources for Educators: Find lesson plans and curriculum aids searchable by subject or state standard

The Michigan eLibrary components:

1.) MeL Databases: Magazines, Newspapers, eBooks, Practice Tests, and more!

For Michigan residents only: from your library, from your library's Web page or from anywhere else you have an Internet connection (with your driver's license or state ID):

- \$3.8 million worth of electronic resources (more than 40 subscription databases) purchased by the Library of Michigan for Michigan residents
- MeL includes millions of articles from over 45,000 indexed magazines and newspapers (close to 130,000,000 of which are full text)
- MeL ebook collection consists of 21,000 full text non-fiction titles
- Additional databases include, academic and career-prep practice tests and tutorials, automotive repair, consumer health information and much more

2.) MeLCat

For Michigan residents only: a catalog of nearly 9 million unique titles and over 37 million holdings (and growing!) from over 300 libraries around the state.

- Patrons from participating libraries can borrow books, CDs, and movies from other libraries at no charge
- Fast delivery—most items sent to the patron's library in 4 days or less

3.) MeL Michigana, a growing selection of digitized statewide historical resources including manuscripts, photographs, audio files, etc.

- Making of Modern Michigan. Archives of Michigan, Civil War diaries and more

4.) **MeL Featured Resources**, found in the MeL Gateways or as special topics, our subject specialists have chosen Web resources that are virtually free of advertising and have met our standards for accuracy and quality information. In addition, MeL's LearningExpress Library database of tests and tutorials and the Full Text eJournal List are included.

5.) **MORE (Michigan Online Resources for Educators)**, a growing collection of thousands of lesson plans, interactive Web sites, curriculum resources and much more

- All resources are aligned to Michigan state standards and searchable by Grade Level Content Expectations (GLCEs)

What do you want to know?

- ✓ How to start a small business in Michigan?
- ✓ How to begin a job search?
- ✓ Where to find help for your student?
- ✓ Where to find tax forms?

- ✓ Information about prescription drugs?
- ✓ Where to find GED, ACT practice tests?
- ✓ Where to research Michigan history?
- ✓ Latest research on skin cancer treatment?

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