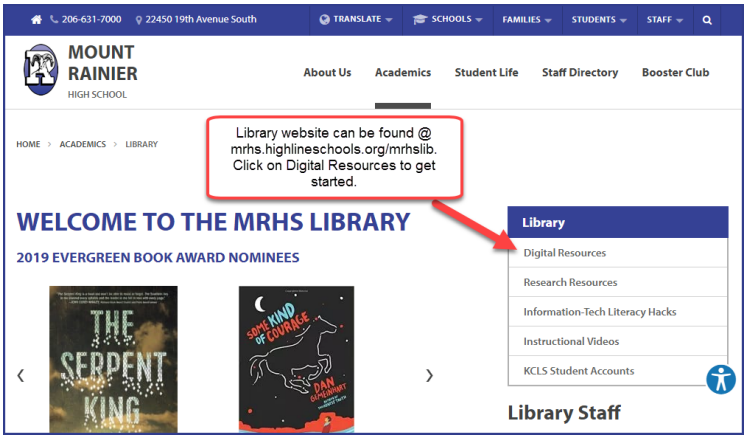
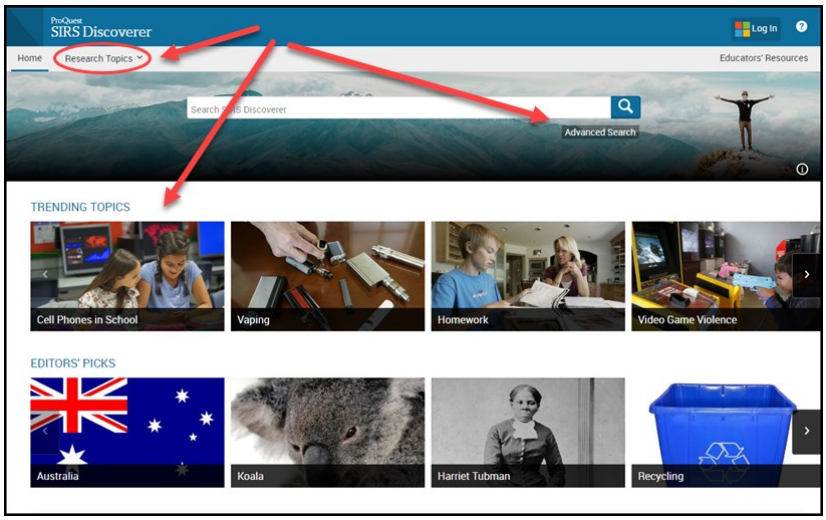
Using Databases: SIRS and eLibrary

1. Go to the MRHS Library Webpage <mrhs.highlineschools.org/mrhslib>
2. Select "Digital Resources" from the right-hand menu
3. Click the blue "Databases" tab
4. Scroll down until you find the SIRS or eLibrary links
5. Start searching using a KEYWORD **OR** go to <www.proquestK12.com>
6. Click on "Product Login"
7. Username: highlineps
   Password: burien98





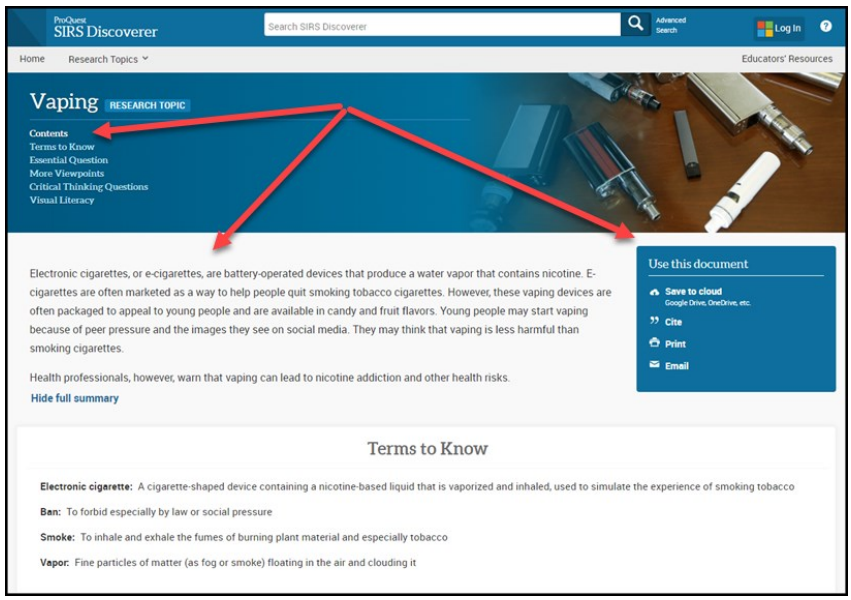
SIRS Discoverer is a very SIMPLE database. It will give you more BASIC information about many subjects.

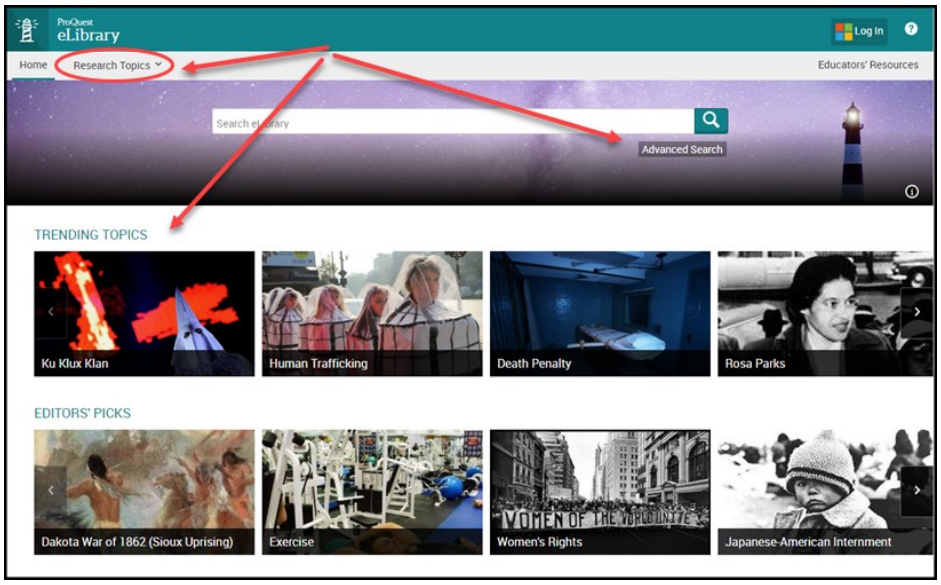
- You can BROWSE Research Topics or pick a topic below
- You can type a Keyword in the search field
- You can go to ADVANCED search and do a Boolean search

NOTE: Make searches using KEYWORDS (nouns and single ideas).
DO NOT use phrases, questions or sentences.

Specific research topics provide:

- a brief Contents list
- a summary of the topic
- vocabulary terms
- articles relating to topic from various viewpoints
- graphics as applicable
- ways to save or print the document

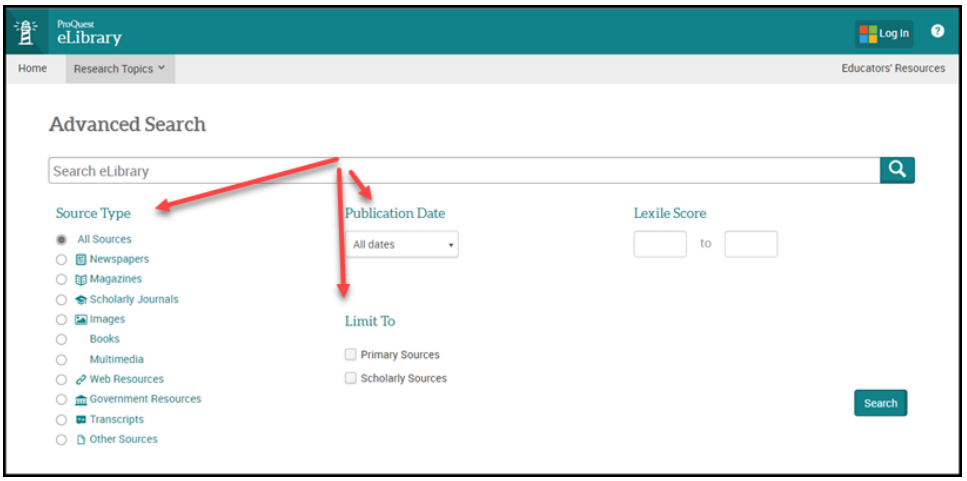


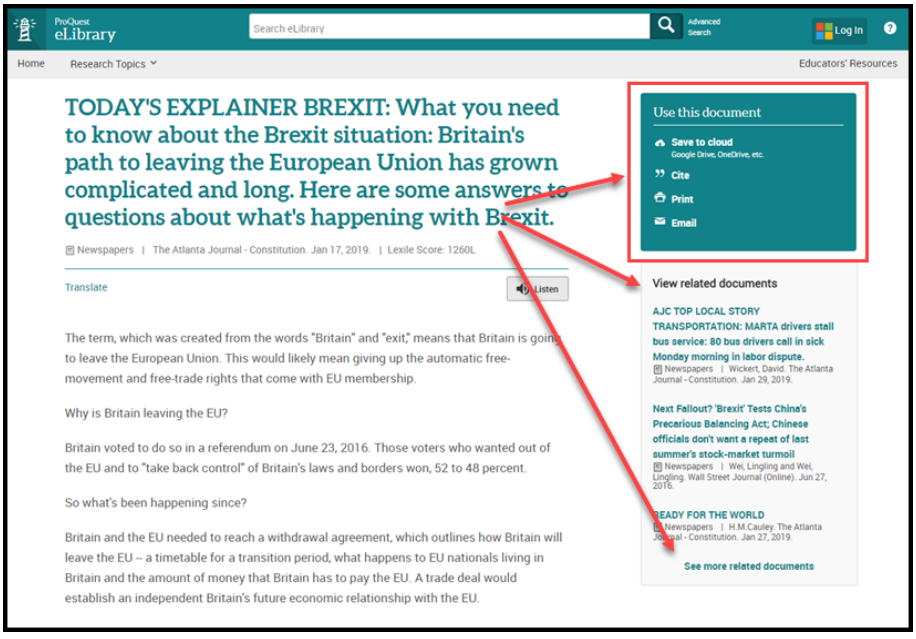


eLibrary is a "mid-range" database. It is more sophisticated than *SIRS Discoverer*, but simpler than *ProQuest*.

- Do a basic SEARCH in the search field
- Select "Research Topics" to see what broad topics are available
- Browse the various recent topics

- Search using Boolean operators and KEYWORDS
  - This narrows your searches
- Select "Source Type"
- Select "Publication Date" if desired
- Check "Limit To" boxes for specific source types





- Modify searches as needed
  - Simple is often better

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