

History 201—The History of News

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Weekly Assignment on Research Tools

To complete this assignment, use the links on our [Links for Historical Research](#) page. In some cases, you may need to access proprietary databases from the COW Library's [A-Z Databases](#) page. Some of these databases will only work from an on-campus (or a campus VPN) connection. Please be sure to bookmark the following pages for future use: [Links for Historical Research](#), [Summon](#), [A-Z Databases](#), [JSTOR](#).

Finding Books

1. Where would you consult the following book—in what section of the library? With what call number? The 2015 edition of Mary Lynn Rampolla's *Pocket Guide to Writing in History*. (Use CONSORT).
2. How would you get your hands on a hard copy of the following book (yes, I know: an electronic version is available through archive.org)? And what is one library that has it? *Stanley's Despatches to the New York Herald, 1871-1872, 1874-1877*, edited by Norman R. Bennett.

Searching for Secondary Sources and Book Reviews

3. Using JSTOR. How many articles in the history journals include the phrase “public sphere” in the article title? What was the earliest such article (not including book reviews) in Chicago-style citation?
4. Using Academic Search Complete. How many items (including articles, book reviews, etc.) include the phrase “moral panic” and the word “France” in the text? How many of these appear in peer-reviewed sources?
5. Find a good book review of Benedict Anderson's *Imagined Communities*. By good, I mean a scholarly book review *written for historians* and published in a peer-reviewed journal. Give the citation in *footnote format*.
6. Find a good article on early aviation history (before 1920). By good, I mean a relevant article (not a book review) in a peer-reviewed historical journal. Give the citation in *bibliography format*.

Searching Primary Sources

7. Using *Proquest Historical Newspapers*, how many newspaper articles can you find on Henry Ford's "peace mission" between 1914 and 1917?
8. According to the African American press (as represented in the Readex/Newsbank *African American Newspapers* collection, how serious was the lynching of African-Americans in 1934? Give one example to support your answer.
9. Search the newspaper collection at *Chronicling America*. What are some prominent products advertised in the *Akron Daily Democrat* on December 22, 1899?
10. What is the earliest reference to Adolf Hitler in the *London Times*? In what context?
11. How many references to "Jack the Ripper" can you find in the *Times of India* in the 1880s? How many articles (same paper, same period) have both the words "Whitechapel" and "murder"?