

Worksheet 1.5: Research Scavenger Hunt

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Now that you have been introduced to various research sites, tools, and databases online, it is time to put that knowledge to the test. In small groups, up to 3, go through the following list of items, questions, and blanks. Then using the research resources and methods you have learned, try to locate and complete as many of the following as you can. Some items will be relatively straightforward. Others may take a little digging or problem-solving. You have 30 minutes to complete as much of the scavenger hunt as you can. Be prepared to discuss your process, your questions, any realizations, and what constitutes appropriate academic research material.

1. What is required to check your library account?
2. Using Google, approximately how many “hits” or results do you get when searching for “sex in advertising?”
3. What does “vous êtes un truite arc-en-ciel” mean?
4. How many colors make up the flag of Ghana? What are they? What country’s flag is it most similar to?
5. On what date was the University of Washington founded?
6. Who is the UW Seattle librarian that specifically handles ‘gay and lesbian’ research and materials?
7. How long does it take, on average, for you to get a book through interlibrary loan?
8. What is the oldest print copy of Voltaire’s *Candide* the library owns? Where is it located exactly? Can you check it out?
9. Using Google Scholar to search for articles on “gender in advertising,” what is the first full-text available entry (provide a full bibliographic entry in MLA citation format).
10. Laurence Lerman wrote a review of the film *The Breakfast Club*. Where and when did it appear?
11. What is the population of Seattle (as of 2003)?
12. List 3 titles written by Judith Butler owned by the library.
13. How much is 52,613.2 Japanese Yen in US Dollars?
14. A little known fact is that Edgar Allen Poe attended West Point - what year did he matriculate? Did he finish?
15. Where can you find a ranking of the best (and worst) campuses for squirrels to live? What is the worst school? Is UW listed?
16. What is the most recent article on the game *World of Warcraft* that appears in *The Washington Post*? Give the full MLA citation.
17. Find a picture of Lou Diamond Phillips playing the guitar.

18. From the list of journals specifically dedicated to cinema studies (at UW Seattle), what is the first journal and the last?
19. What is the phone number for the East Asia Library (on campus)?
20. When did the word 'multiculturalism' first appear in print in English? And in what publication?
21. How many books are on course reserve for ENGL131? What are they?
22. Locate a book with the following in the title: drama and disease and Shakespeare? What is its call number?
23. Find a picture of drying fish in the library system's digital collections.
24. How many copies of *Super Size Me* are at UW's Seattle campus? Where is it located?
25. Identify the song and artist for this lyric: "we kissed as the sky fell in"?
26. Is there a helipad on campus? What road is it off of?
27. Can you use the library's databases from a computer off-campus? How?
28. What is a fused sentence? How do you fix it?
29. How tall is Jake Gyllenhaal?
30. What is Ed Chang's on-campus mailbox number?