

Guide to Credo Reference

What is Credo Reference?

Credo is a vast, online reference library, providing access to the full text of hundreds of highly regarded and popular titles. And Credo brings the facts alive with images, sound files, animations, videos and much more. Find speedy, simple answers and authoritative, in-depth articles.

What types of books are available?

Credo Reference contains dictionaries, bilingual dictionaries, thesauri, encyclopedias, quotations and atlases, plus a wide range of subject-specific titles covering everything from accounting to zoology, via maps, math, management, martial arts, media studies, medicine, mountains, moons, music, multimedia, mythology.

How do I access Credo?

Visit the [Insert library name] web site at [Insert link] and select Credo Reference from the list of electronic resources.

If you are in the library or on campus:

After clicking on the Credo link, you will see the Credo Reference home page. While on campus, you can also go directly to www.credoreference.com for access.

If you are not in the library or on campus:

Credo offers remote access to library users. To access Credo remotely, [choose one of the following] login through our proxy at [insert URL] or login using our username: [insert username] and password: [insert password] or login with your library card number or login through Shibboleth or login through Athens.

How do I use Credo?



Begin your search with Credo's basic, simple search screen. Search all Credo subjects or choose to limit your search to one topic, such as Art, Literature, History or Psychology.



1 Use our enhanced search results to limit your results by:

- Subject
- Type of entry—those entries that include people, definitions, quotations or translations.
- Media—entries with images, maps, videos or audio.
- Person
- Publication date

2 With one click view the same search in another resource offered by your library.

After clicking on one of your search results, you'll see a Credo entry page.

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Need to save an entry for use later?

You have three options for saving results:

1 Click the checkbox to save an entry to your Saved Results list. Save as many as you like.

2 Export an entry by clicking on the email, print or save icons. Plus, bookmark an entry to your favorite site—add links to Del.icio.us, Facebook and many others.

3 Save citations for each entry. APA, Chicago, Harvard or MLA formats are available. Export to your tool of choice—RefWorks, EndNote and others.

Need more information on a topic?

4 Let Credo guide you to Related Entries. For example, a search for DNA can lead to cell, protein, genome and many others.

5 Continue your research at another library resource, like your library's online catalog or journal databases.

Stuck on your research paper? Brainstorm ideas with our Concept Map!

Enter your search term into the Concept Map and find additional topics to explore.

1 Lines between topics show related entries. Click on any word to re-center your map and explore further.

2 Hover your cursor over an entry to see a preview. Click 'open entry' to read the full text.

3 Modify your view by zooming in or out, rotating the map or adding more topics.

4 Nodes Visited keeps track of items that you have clicked in the map. Use this list to go back to a previous view.

What are some searches or entries to explore in Credo?

- [CIA World Factbook](#): Compare individual countries or compare statistics across all countries.
- Working on a history paper? Use our chronologies of [world history](#) or [literature](#).
- Looking for medical images? See our [color atlas of human anatomy](#).
- Historical maps offer diverse views of [world history](#).
- The Cambridge Dictionary of Scientists offers a [chronology of major events in science](#).
- The Bridgeman Art Library offers over 15,000 art images. Find an artist or a picture or explore themes such as [impressionist river](#) for paintings of rivers by impressionists. See a couple of art images: [Renoir's house at Essoyes](#), [Flight of an Aeroplane](#), [Locomotive Construction](#)