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BIOGRAPHIES: [BIOGRAPHY.COM](#) - Locate free biographical essays at this site provided by the Gale Publishing Group.

BOOKMARKS: [CONNOTEA](#) - a free website to help researchers and clinicians manage and share information
[DEL.CICIO.US](#) - a collection of favorites (bookmarks). Keep links to your favorite web sources to share with others and discover other's favorites.
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CALCULATORS:[CALCULATORS ON-LINE](#) - OUTSTANDING SITE that provides over 13,300 calculators to calculate just about everything, including statistics, basic math, cost of raising children, insurance costs, retirement benefits, mortgage payments, etc. It is part of Martindale's 'The Reference Desk' Martindale's Health Science Guide; Martindale's Calculators On-Line Center & all Centers, Sections, the sole property of James G. Martindale □ and is hosted by University of California, Irving, Science Library.

CONSUMER INFORMATION: [CONSUMER AFFAIRS](#) - Information on special programs for seniors, students, people with disabilities, disaster victims, small-business owners, and other groups.
[NATIONAL CONSUMERS LEAGUE](#) - Information on various consumer issues, such as telemarketing, child slavery, and dietary supplements. This site will help consumers make purchasing decisions that effect political change.
[HOAXBUSTERS](#) - Check to see if the latest rumor you heard is just that, or actually true!

DICTIONARIES: GENERAL

[ALLWORDS.COM](#)
[AMERICAN HERITAGE DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE](#)
[CAMBRIDGE DICTIONARIES ONLINE](#)
[DICTIONARY.COM](#)
[ENCARTA WORLD ENGLISH DICTIONARY](#)
[FORTHRIGHT'S PHRONTISTRY](#) - Lists over 400 of the rarest modern English words.
[MERRIAM-WEBSTERS COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY](#)
[ONE LOOK DICTIONARIES](#) - Search for words from a variety of online dictionaries.
[SKEPTICS DICTIONARY](#) - "A Critical Survey of Questionable Therapies, Eccentric Beliefs, Amusing Deceptions and Dangerous Delusions."
[YOUR DICTIONARY](#) - A web of on-line dictionaries, including language, subject specialties, translation, and many more.

BOTANY

[ETHNOBOTANICAL DICTIONARY \(Tico\)](#)
[OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY PLANT DICTIONARY - PLANTFACTS](#) - An encyclopedia and hypermedia resource of information about plants with over 5,000 images and searchable databases.

COMPUTER/INTERNET

[COMPUTER DICTIONARY](#) - On-line dictionary of computer terms.
[COMPUTER DICTIONARY MAINTAINED BY SMART COMPUTING MAGAZINE](#) - Includes an encyclopedia with in-depth descriptions of terms.
[TECH ENCYCLOPEDIA](#) - More than 14,000 definitions of computer terms and concepts.
[WEBOPHEIA](#) - Defines words, phrases, and acronyms related to computers and the internet.

MATH

[DICTIONARY OF UNITS](#) - A Dictionary of Units converts things like viscosity, spread rate, concentration, metrication, etc.
[MATH](#) - Outstanding math dictionary.

MULTI-LINGUAL

[ALTAVISTA TRANSLATIONS](#)
[LOGOS DICTIONARY \(MULTILINGUAL\)](#) - Covers over 200 languages.
[MULTILINGUAL GLOSSARY LANGUAGE TABLE](#) - Multilingual glossary for library users.

MUSIC

[RAP DICTIONARY](#) - Latest definitions of hip-hop terminology.

PHYSICS

[PHYSICS](#) - Excellent resource for physics terms.

REVERSE

[REVERSE DICTIONARY](#) - Describe a concept and the site provides a list of words and phrases related to the concept.

THESAURUS

MERRIAM-WEBSTER COLLEGIATE THESAURUS
THESAURUS.COM

DIRECTORIES - GENERAL: **ARCHIVAL EXHIBITIONS ON THE WEB** - Center for finding online exhibitions from the library and archival communities. The list includes over 1,200 exhibitions and is a project of the Smithsonian Institution Libraries.
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT INTERNET DIRECTORY - Provides one-stop access to thousands of state agencies and city and county governments.

DIRECTORIES - PHONE: **ANYWHO (AT&T)**
REVERSE DIRECTORY (Langenberg.com)
SWITCHBOARD (InfoUSA)
TELDIR - Access to international phone directories (as well as U.S. phone directories)
USWESTDEX (US West)

DSM-IV CODES: **DSM-IV CODES - COMPLETE LIST** - 2 tables give basic codes for all DSM-IV diagnoses, however, the numbers are the least important part of the diagnoses: Additional verbiage, often not stated in the tables but given in the text, conveys the actual sense of the individual patient's diagnosis. In addition, there is a great deal of symptom interpretation only available in the book. (In our reference collection).

ENCYCLOPEDIAS: **CITIZENDIUM** - "a 'citizens' compendium of everything,' is an experimental new wiki project. The project, started by a founder of Wikipedia, aims to improve on *that* model by adding "gentle expert oversight" and requiring contributors to use their real names."
ENCYCLOPEDIA.COM - Provides more than 17,000 articles from the Concise Columbia Electronic Encyclopedia.
ENCYCLOPEDIA MYTHICA: AN ENCYCLOPEDIA ON MYTHOLOGY, FOLKLORE AND LEGEND - Nearly 6000 definitions of gods and goddesses, supernatural beings, and legendary creatures from worldwide cultures.
ENCYCLOPEDIA OF DAYS - Site lists holidays, holy days, and other observances for every country in the world and for all major religions.
ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE EARTH - electronic reference about the Earth, its natural environments, and their interaction with society. The *Encyclopedia* is a free, fully searchable collection of articles written by scholars, professionals, educators, and experts who collaborate and review each other's work.
ENCYCLOPEDIA TITANICA - Authoritative site features illustrated biographies of Titanic passengers and crew, with photographs and supporting documents.
GLASS ENCYCLOPEDIA - Comprehensive encyclopedia of all types of glassware.
SCHOLARPEdia - Free peer-reviewed encyclopedia written by scholars.
XREFER - "A free site containing encyclopedias, dictionaries, thesauri & books of quotations from the world's leading publishers. All cross-referenced, all in one place - providing you with a single source for reliable factual information."

HANDBOOKS: **COUNTRY STUDIES** (Area Handbooks) - A continuing series of books prepared under the Country Studies/Area Handbook Program sponsored by the Department of the Army. Most books in the series deal with a particular foreign country, describing and analyzing its political, economic, social, and national security systems and institutions, and examining the interrelationships of those systems and the ways they are shaped by cultural factors.
COSTUME GALLERY - Intended for use by authors, screenwriters, educators, and students, fashions range from Byzantine and Medieval eras through the 20th century and cover all corners of the world.
OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK HANDBOOK - Career information, designed to provide valuable assistance to individuals making decisions about their future work lives.

INDEXES: **ERIC** - Education Resources Information Center (ERIC), sponsored by the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) of the U.S. Department of Education, produces the world's premier database of journal and non-journal education literature. This site provides a centralized searching of the ERIC bibliographic database for more than 1.1 million citations going back to 1966. More than 107,000 full-text non-journal documents (issued 1993-2004), previously available through fee-based services only, are available for free.

FACTS ON FILE - Full-text of the *Facts on File World News Digest since 1980* - updated weekly. Provides information in core databases maintained by Facts On File News Service. Databases include *Facts on File, Issues and Controversies, The World Almanac, Today's Science, The World Almanac Encyclopedia, and Book of Facts.*

Facts On File access is limited to currently enrolled students and employees of Yakima Valley Community College

INFOMIME - virtual library of scholarly Internet resources relevant to faculty, students, and research staff at the university level maintained by the Library of the University of California, Riverside.

IN THE FIRST PERSON - English language personal narratives, including letters, diaries, memoirs, autobiographies, and oral histories. (Primary documents)

LIBRARIANS INDEX TO THE INTERNET FOR WASHINGTON STATE - Search the wealth of links on subjects, including Arts, History, Science and Philosophy, with a Washington State focus and sites selected in part by Washington State librarians and library employees

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY - Index to NGS publications (Find out when and where National Geographic covered a specific subject.)

MISCELLANEOUS: **AMERICAN FOLKSONGS** - Folksongs, Hymns and Spirituals of America, sorted by first line of lyric and title, with title in italics.

CAREER GAMES - Site features several free workshops and games to assist in selecting a career.

CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEGRITY - a nonprofit, nonpartisan, tax-exempt organization that conducts investigative research and reporting on public policy issues in the United States and around the world.

CREDIBILITY COMMONS - An experimental environment enabling individuals the opportunity to try out different approaches to improving access to credible information on the World Wide Web. Tools will be provided to researchers as well as the public, allowing them to try out search strategies, collections and other approaches to improving access. The Commons can be viewed as a collaborative space in which to share ideas, data sets, results and innovations. This project is sponsored by the MacArthur Foundation.

DO IT YOURSELF - Tips about doing almost anything yourself, including repairs and cleaning.

GRANTS.GOV - allows organizations to electronically find and apply for more than \$400 billion in Federal grants. It is THE single access point for over 1000 grant programs offered by all Federal grant-making agencies.

HOW TO CLEAN ANYTHING.COM - A huge database of cleaning tips - from general cleaning to stains.

INFOEYES - a virtual reference and information community for the visually impaired. You can ask questions via email or ask a librarian in real time via chat. The service is provided by a group of talking book libraries.

INTERNET SACRED TEXT ARCHIVE - Contains the primary text(s) from the major traditions. Nonprofit archive of religions texts privately maintained by J.B. Hare, not affiliated with any religions organization or institution.

MERLOT - (Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching) - A free and open resource designed primarily for faculty and students of higher education. Links to online learning materials are collected here along with annotations such as peer reviews and assignments.

OAISTER - A collection of freely available, difficult-to-access, academically-oriented digital resources, maintained by the University of Michigan Library.

OMNIGLOT: A GUIDE TO WRITING SYSTEMS - Information about languages with a written form. Over 160 different alphabets, syllabaries, and other writing systems.

OPENCONTENT - Wide variety of high-quality, well-maintained content that people are willing to share under one of the websites licenses.

[PACIFIC NORTHWEST SHEET MUSIC COLLECTION](#) - built from a core collection donated by Paul Ashford to the University of Washington in 1959. The collection contains music from and about Washington state, the Pacific Northwest and the University of Washington.
[PROCON](#) - controversial issues in a straightforward, nonpartisan primarily pro-con format.
[REFERENCE SHELF: DICTIONARIES, ENCYCLOPEDIAS, OTHER REFERENCE TOOLS](#) - Offers a compilation of reference works from directories, government publications, and statistical information to SIC Codes.
[SCHOOL MATTERS](#) - Database of comparative data on the performance and characteristics of U.S. public elementary, middle, and high schools.
[SOCIAL SCIENCE INFORMATION GATEWAY](#) - Selects and describes the best resources available in the social sciences.
[WESTERN WATERS DIGITAL LIBRARY](#) - Features the collaborative effort of twelve university libraries in eight western states to provide key primary sources related to the Columbia, Colorado, Platt, and Rio Grande Rivers. Access a wealth of digitized collections, including historic maps, hydrology reports, flood damage summaries, and wildlife guides.
[XREFER](#) - This free service integrates the best British ready-reference sources encyclopedias, dictionaries, thesauri & books of quotations via cross-references and cross-links.

NOBEL PRIZES: Homepage of the [NOBEL PRIZE](#) organization - general information.

Specific Prize information:

[CHEMISTRY](#)
[ECONOMICS](#)
[LITERATURE](#)
[MEDICINE](#)
[PEACE](#)
[PHYSICS](#)

[NOBEL PEACE PRIZE](#) - Homepage of the Norwegian Nobel Committee who determines the award recipient. This site also includes information about the award and its recipients.

PATENTS: [FREEPATENTSONLINE](#) - free patent searching.
[PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE](#) - Information about patents, a guide to filing a design patent application and registering a trademark.
[SUMOBRAIN](#) - Free patent searching.

QUOTATIONS: [BARTLEBY.COM](#) - "Combines the best of both contemporary and classic quotations collections into a searchable database of over 86,000 entries, the largest of its kind ever compiled." Barbleby.com searches [The Columbia World of Quotations](#), [Bartlets Familiar Quotations](#), and [Simpson's Contemporary Quotations](#).
[MOVIE QUOTES](#)
[THE QUOTATIONS PAGE](#) - searchable database of over 15,000 quotations.
[QUOTABLE QUOTES](#) - Over 43,000 famous quotes by 10,000 authors from Aristotle to Zappa.
[QUOTELAND.COM](#) - Continually updated quotation source.
[XREFER](#) - "A free site containing encyclopedias, dictionaries, thesauri & books of quotations from the world's leading publishers. All cross-referenced, all in one place - providing you with a single source for reliable factual information."

PHOTOGRAPHS:[LIBRARY OF CONGRESS - PRINTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS ONLINE CATALOG](#) - "Provides access through group or item records to about 65% of the Division's holdings, as well as to some images found in other units of the Library of Congress. Many of the catalog records are accompanied by digital images--about one million digital images in all."

"Not all images displayed in this catalog are in the public domain. The Library offers broad public access to these materials as a contribution to education and scholarship. It is the researcher's obligation to determine and satisfy copyright or other use restrictions when publishing or otherwise distributing materials found in the Library's collections. In some collections, only thumbnail images display to those searching outside the Library of Congress because of potential rights considerations. See the Library's [Legal Notices](#) for more information."

[NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY DIGITAL GALLERY](#) - includes Civil War photos, New York City historical items, 16th-century maps of North America, sheet music covers, floor plans of prewar apartments, Yiddish theater, placards, Japanese prints, menus, Russian civil war posters, theater photos, and more.

SELF-HELP: [DO IT YOURSELF](#) - Free instructions for completing many projects.
[HOW STUFF WORKS](#) - Current, practical content explaining everything from how computers work to how power grids work.
[HOW TO VIDEOS](#) - Free videos covering topics from how to play a ukelele to how to give your cat a bath.
[INSTRUCTABLES](#) - Find out how to make anything from a corsage to a catapult.
[INVENTORS DIGEST](#) - This site is designed for anyone who has ever said, "I've got a great idea . . . Now what do I do?" It's also THE spot for anyone who's searching for the next HOT product!
[LIVE MANUALS](#) - Manufacturer product guides with diagrams, warranty and support information for all types of products.
[FIXYA](#) - Post a message or have a Web chat with an expert when something breaks.

STATISTICS: [ADHERENTS.COM](#) - collection of over 43,870 adherent statistics and religious geography citations: references to published membership/adherent statistics and congregation statistics for over 4,200 religions, churches, denominations, religious bodies, faith groups, tribes, cultures, movements, ultimate concerns, etc. The religions of the world are enumerated here.
[AMERICAN FACTFINDER](#) - Searches for Census 2000 information by address. Entering an address in the Advanced Geography Selection provides a pull down menu with choices of data, including census tract, block, and congressional district, as well as city, county, and state.
[COUNTY AND CITY DATA BOOK](#) - Data for all top cities with a population of 25,000 or more.
[FEDSTATS](#) - Gateway to statistics gathered from more than 100 federal agencies.
[GENDER STATISTICS](#) - Aims to bring together both gender statistics and policies. Focus is on the production, dissemination and use of gender related data. Maintained by United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE).
[NATIONAL CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS](#) - A rich source of data on a wide variety of topics. Want to compare the U.S. to other countries? Check the effect of education on voting? This is the place.
[NATIONMASTER.COM](#) - Large numerical database used as basis for interactively generating charts and maps. Presents statistics from a variety of resources in an easy-to-use and interesting graphical format.
[POPULATION REFERENCE BUREAU](#) - comprehensive virtual gateway to data and reports on population trends. Provides timely and objective population information.
[SALARYEXPERT.COM](#) - Provides salary data, broken down by job and geographic location, that is easy to use and authoritative.
[STATE AND METROPOLITAN AREA DATA BOOK](#) -Comprehensive data for states and metropolitan areas.

[METROPOLITAN STATE](#)

[STATISTICAL ABSTRACT OF THE UNITED STATES](#)

STATISTICAL RESOURCES - Site maintained by University of Michigan.

UNDATA - UN statistical databases from which users can search and download a variety of statistical resources of the UN System.

UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT STATISTICS - Site maintained by the University of Washington.

WASHINGTON STATE CENSUS DATA - The most up-to-date Census figures for the State of Washington as a whole (very basic numbers).

WASHINGTON STATE COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS - Population counts that include age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, and household characteristics. (Note that this is a 617-page file in .PDF format and will not work well on slow computers).

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[LEXICAL FREENET: CONNECTED THESAURUS](#)
[PHRASE FINDER](#)
[ROGETS II: THE NEW THESAURUS](#)
[WORDSMYTH ENGLISH DICTIONARY THESAURUS \(WEDT\)](#)
[THESAURUS.COM](#)
[VISUAL THESAURUS](#)

TIME: [WORLD TIME SERVER](#) - Provides the most accurate current local times of any world clock on the Internet. It makes real time adjustments for Daylight Saving Time.

WEATHER: [ACCUWEATHER](#) - Collection of over two million photographs, graphics and audio clips from the Associated Press from 1826 to the present.

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