What do we mean by?

Scholarly journals, periodicals, magazine articles...

- A periodical (or serial) appears on a regular basis (e.g. daily, weekly, monthly or annually). Includes academic journals, magazines & newspapers.
- A single copy of a periodical is called an issue. A defined number of issues equal one volume.

Academic/scholarly journals contain articles written by scholars (professors, researchers, experts), and critiqued by other scholars, before publication.
- content may be fairly complex
- often contain a short abstract or summary at the beginning & a bibliography or list of works cited at the end.
- usually no advertising & are generally available by subscription only
- Example - Journal of Canadian Studies

Magazines/popular journals are intended for the general public
- are available by subscription or on news stands.
- Articles may be written by people with some in-depth knowledge of a topic, by professional writers who have done some background research, or by reporters with no previous knowledge of the subject.
- Examples - Maclean's and Time
What do we mean by?

Indexes, abstracts, citations, online databases, full-text ...

A periodical index

• helps you locate articles on specific topics
• lists citations of articles from academic journals, magazines & newspapers
• includes the author (if available), title of the article, name of the journal, the issue and pages on which the article appears = citation
• some include article summaries ("abstracts") or even the full-text of articles
• are available for different subject areas. Each index covers a defined set of journals in a particular area, such as Business, Sciences, Literature, etc.

OC Library subscribes to periodical indexes in the form of online databases.

• Library Web Page links to many online databases using the internet.
• Databases for Literary criticism contain book reviews and critiques of works (novels, short stories, plays, poetry), as well as information about authors and literary movements
• The database describes each article, in every issue of a large number of journals.
• Some databases contain only citations; others include abstracts; many feature full-text.

Full-text
• complete text with illustrations of a periodical article (e.g., EBSCO), or the text only (e.g., CINAHL Complete)
• can be saved or printed (PDF & HTML formats) or emailed
Getting Started!

- Defining your topic, approach
- Identifying keywords

Margaret Laurence *Stone Angel*
- biography, characters, criticism, book/novel, film adaptation, book reviews
- Canadian literature 20th century, Canadian authors, Women authors, Canadian novelists

William Shakespeare *Hamlet*
- biography, criticism, characters, Hamlet as character, Hamlet as play, drama, tragedy
- theatre, stage production, Elizabethan England, England society/civilisation 15th/16th century

... Next step! Library Website
www.okanagan.bc.ca/library

Article Databases

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**Humanities Online Resources**

- Gale Literary databases *(session 1)*
- Academic Search Premier *(this session)*
- CBCA Complete *(Canadian)*
- MLA International Bibliography
- Humanities Index
- JSTOR, Project Muse, Oxford University Press Journals

Try out all those keywords, try different combinations
Watch for full-text and Where can I get this ...?
Article Databases

Search in Article Databases for Humanities Online Resources then choose Database to search e.g. Academic Search Premier

Library Webpage

Finding Articles

Example 1
Academic article
Full-text online

Narrow from All Results to Academic Journals
Finding Articles

Choose a likely citation, check the abstract, look to find a full copy of the article?

Full-text is available to print, save or email
Finding Articles

Example 2
Magazine article
Print copy in Library

No Full-text here ...
Where can I get this?

Finding Articles

OC Lib may have
System checks
Library Voyager
catalogue

Print copy in Library
at Penticton
Periodical shelves
!Check volume nos.
Finding Articles

Example 3

New search … SUbject Shakespeare’s Hamlet

Finding Articles

No full text … Where can I get this?
Finding Articles

Held other libraries
> Request inter-library loan

Not anywhere at OC
print or electronic
Checks other libraries

Web Sites for Literature

The Canadian Literature Archive
www.umanitoba.ca/canlit
Choose Authors List & find Laurence, Margaret
links to other significant pages
Web Sites for Literature

Internet Public Library
www.ipl.org/div/litcrit/ Online Literary Criticism Collections

Laurence

Specific Literary Work page

Author page
Web Sites for Literature

Other Sites:

Mr William Shakespeare and the Internet
http://shakespeare.palomar.edu
Award-winning scholarly web site with annotated links to Shakespeare resources
(Palomar College, California)

Literary Resources on the Net
http://andromeda.rutgers.edu/~jlynch/Lit/
Comprehensive collection of links to sites covering English & American literature
(Compiled by Jack Lynch of Rutgers University)

Voice of the Shuttle (Literature in English)
http://vos.ucsb.edu
English literature section of a mega-gateway organized by period, nation, subculture,
and genre (University of California, Santa Barbara)

Web Sites for Literature

A familiar internet name, but more academic search engine ...

Google Scholar
http://scholar.google.com

Caution: Article citations & some text... can find same & often better
in Library Online Databases like JSTOR, Project Muse
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