



## National History Day Research Guide

**Topic: What Happens When No One Takes a Stand? Neville Chamberlain's Appeasement of Adolf Hitler**

Contact the Reference Services department for help with your research project:

- Phone us, 720-865-1363,
- Visit us, reference desk on Floor 3 of the [Central Library](#),
- Chat with us online with the [Ask Us!](#) Service,
- Meet with us in person or online to work [one-on-one with a librarian](#).

## Getting Started

Begin your research by brainstorming keywords - the words and phrases you'll use to search for books, articles, websites, government documents, and other resources. These may include names of people and places or historical concepts like eras and movements. A librarian can suggest "subject headings" to find the most relevant resources.

## Example Keywords & Subject Headings

Neville Chamberlain  
Adolf Hitler  
Appeasement

[Chamberlain, Neville, 1869-1940](#)  
[Great Britain -- Foreign Relations -- 1936-1945](#)  
[Munich Four-Power Agreement \(1938\)](#)

## Primary & Secondary Sources

Start your search at [the library catalog](#). You will need to use both [primary](#) and secondary sources for your project. You can often find both in the library catalog and place holds on materials, if needed.

## Books/Print Resources at DPL

Munich: the price of peace. <http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=311700>  
British appeasement in the 1930. <http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=1133401>  
Neville Chamberlain and appeasement : a study in the politics of history.  
<http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=120779>  
The Appeasers. <http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=9616>  
Appeasement. <http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=573318>

The Rise of fascism [sound recording] : documentary recordings of the time from Germany, Italy and Britain. <http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=413673>

### Database/Online Resources

Library databases are online collections of information, organized for research. Databases contain articles, eBooks, images, maps, primary sources and more. If you don't have a library card, [register online](#) for immediate access to these resources. The following recommended databases are available on our [Research](#) and [Teen Social Studies](#) pages.

**[World History in Context](#)** From the ancient world to today's headlines. A chronicle of the great cultures and societies that have formed the history of the human race. Rare primary sources, reliable reference and multimedia content put this vast topic into context.

Neville Chamberlain <http://tinyurl.com/zkdf2le>

**[Readers' Guide Retrospective](#)** Index of articles from more than 550 magazines from 1890-1982. Use the Readers' Guide to discover articles from Reference Services' print magazine collection.

Open Letter to Neville Chamberlain <http://tinyurl.com/zmvqzd7>

I can do no more <http://tinyurl.com/z6jzmtn>

Appeasement in Europe <http://tinyurl.com/je2bkdo>

**[MAS Ultra for High School Research](#)** Full-text magazines, reference books, biographies, primary source documents, and an Image Collection of photos, maps and flags, color PDFs and expanded full-text backfiles back to 1975 for key magazines.

England's defense of her position <http://tinyurl.com/hkkprqx>

We will not be responsible for war <http://tinyurl.com/hijk8f3>

**[New York Times Historical Backfile](#)** Contains full-text and images in PDF format of the New York Times from 1851 to three years before current year.

Chamberlain hero of Munich crowds <http://tinyurl.com/jx9pct9> (Library card required.)

**[Gale Virtual Reference Library](#)** Access full-text encyclopedias covering the arts, biography, country studies, history, law, literature, religion, science, social science and more!

Appeasement: Was the British and French Policy of Appeasing Nazi Germany During the 1930s Based on a Belief that Adolf Hitler's Demands and Actions Were Reasonable?

<http://tinyurl.com/gwsmf5h>

### Searching beyond Denver Public Library

As a Denver Public Library customer, you can also [borrow materials from other library systems](#). If DPL doesn't have something you need, search Prospector to check other Colorado libraries' catalogs.

Hitler, Chamberlain and appeasement

<http://prospector.coalliance.org/search~S0/?searchtype=t&searcharg=Hitler%2C+Chamberlain+and+appeasement&SUBMIT=Search&searchlimits=&searchorigarg=tin+search+of+peace&SORT=D&extended=0>

Munich, 1938 : appeasement and World War II

<http://prospector.coalliance.org/search~S0?/tMunich%2C+1938+%3A+appeasement+and+WORLD+War+II/tmunich+1938+appeasement+and+world+war+ii/1%2C1%2C4%2CB/frameset&FF=tmunich+1938+appeasement+and+world+war+ii&1%2C%2C4>

In search of peace

<http://prospector.coalliance.org/search~S0?/tin+search+of+peace/tin+search+of+peace/1.8.19,B/detlframeset&FF=tin+search+of+peace&2..10>

### Internet Sources

Before using information you find on the internet for assignments and research, it is important to establish that the information comes from a reliable and appropriate source. The following websites, from government, academic and nonprofit organizations, have been evaluated for authority, accuracy, content and currency.

Chamberlain on appeasement. <http://www.historyguide.org/europe/munich.html>

Footage of the Munich Agreement (video). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wKA-lhWFbsE>

Neville speaks after the Munich Agreement (video).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SetNFqcayeA>

Munich Agreement documents. [http://avalon.law.yale.edu/subject\\_menus/munmenu.asp](http://avalon.law.yale.edu/subject_menus/munmenu.asp)

Appeasement reconsidered: investigating the mythology of the 1930s.

<https://babel.hathitrust.org/cgi/pt?id=mdp.39015061015882;view=1up;seq=1>