



## National History Day Research Guide

## Topic: Taking a Stand Against the British: Gandhi's Salt March to the Sea

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

Gandhi, Mohandas  
 Salt March  
 Dandi Yatra  
 Dandi Satyagraha  
 Passive Resistance  
 Ahimsa  
 Civil Disobedience  
 Nonviolence  
 Decolonization  
[Gandhi, Mahatma, 1869-1948](#)  
[India -- Politics and Government -- 1919-1947](#)

### 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

Gandhi's Letters To A Disciple <http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=37301>  
 My Appeal To The British <http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=27018>  
 An Autobiography : The Story Of My Experiments With Truth

<http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=15076>

Gandhi : A Very Short Introduction <http://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=533135>

### 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.

**Gale Virtual Reference Library** Access full-text encyclopedias covering the arts, biography, country studies, history, law, literature, religion, science, social science and more.

Mohandas Gandhi Leads the Salt March <http://tinyurl.com/zqq6yh9>

Satyagraha <http://tinyurl.com/gS2lfab>

**History Reference Center** Search full-text articles, historical documents, biographies, maps and photos.

Gandhi's Invisible Hands <http://tinyurl.com/zlvc3xz>

**New York Times Historical Backfile on ProQuest** Contains full-text and images in PDF format of the New York Times from 1851 to three years before current year. (Library card required.)

Gandhi Makes Salt, Defying India's Law <http://tinyurl.com/jkxfhma>

**Academic Search Premier** Full-text articles on popular culture, computer sciences, engineering, physics, arts, business and more.

In the Footsteps of Gandhi <http://tinyurl.com/hsdbzgx>

### 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.

Non-violent resistance (Satyagraha)

[http://encore.coalliance.org/iii/encore/record/C\\_\\_Rb22989227\\_\\_Ssatyagraha\\_P1%2C42\\_\\_Orightresult\\_\\_U\\_\\_X6?lang=eng&suite=def](http://encore.coalliance.org/iii/encore/record/C__Rb22989227__Ssatyagraha_P1%2C42__Orightresult__U__X6?lang=eng&suite=def)

### 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.

GandhiServe

<http://www.gandhiserve.org/e/>

Collected Works of Mahatma Gandhi Online

<http://www.gandhiserve.org/e/cwmg/cwmg.htm>