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National History Day Research Guide

Topic: Nelson Mandela's Stand for Racial Equality in South Africa

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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

Nelson Mandela
Apartheid
South Africa history
Anti-apartheid movement

[Apartheid -- South Africa -- History.
Mandela, Nelson, 1918-2013
South Africa -- Politics And Government -- 1948-1994.](#)

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

Nelson Mandela: a force for freedom <https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=625117>

Please note: This guide was prepared for National History Day 2017: Taking a Stand in History. Links may become outdated over time. Please contact us if you need help finding a specific resource.

Mandela : An Illustrated Autobiography (Primary Source)

<https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=275463>

Playing the enemy: Nelson Mandela and the game that made a nation

<https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=699242>

Mandela: struggle & triumph

<https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=694127>

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.

CQ Researcher In-depth analysis of topics in the news covering all sides of the issues. (Library card required.)

South Africa's future <http://tinyurl.com/haearts>

World History in Context A chronicle of the great cultures and societies that have formed the history of the human race with primary sources. Available with library card.

Nelson Mandela Is Sentenced to Life in Prison: June 11, 1964 <http://tinyurl.com/jv6rt5z>

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

Apartheid of South Africa <http://tinyurl.com/ju5a3me>

African National Congress <http://tinyurl.com/zcvw65v>

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.)

Mandela's first 100 days: 'on course,' he says. <http://tinyurl.com/hnmnmuu> (Primary Source)

Beginning of end for apartheid. <http://tinyurl.com/z8h4pcj> (Primary Source)

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.

Let freedom reign : the words of Nelson Mandela.

http://encore.coalliance.org/iii/encore/record/C__Rb23970509__Snelson%20mandela%20sources__Ff%3Afacetmediatype%3Aa%3Aa%3ABooksLw%3D%3DJournals%3A%3A__P0%2C4__Orightresult__U__X1?lang=eng&suite=def

Mandela, Tambo, and the African National Congress : the struggle against apartheid, 1948-1990 : a documentary survey.

http://encore.coalliance.org/iii/encore/record/C__Rb11244177__Snelson%20mandela%20sources__Ff%3Afacetmediatype%3Aa%3Aa%3ABooksLw%3D%3DJournals%3A%3A__P0%2C11__Orightresult__U__X1?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.

Two Mandela Speeches That Made History

<http://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2013/12/06/249210908/listen-two-mandela-speeches-that-made-history>

Nelson Mandela Biography, Timeline, Archival Collections and more (Primary Source)

<https://www.nelsonmandela.org/content/page/speeches>

South African History Online

<http://www.sahistory.org.za/people/nelson-rolihlahla-mandela>

Nelson Mandela – Nobel Lecture (Primary Source)

http://www.nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/peace/laureates/1993/mandela-lecture.html