



National History Day Research Guide

Topic: Sophie Scholl and the White Rose Movement

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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

White Rose Movement
University of Munich
German Resistance

[Weisse Rose \(Resistance Group\)](#)
[Scholl, Sophie, 1921-1943.](#)
[Anti-Nazi Movement -- Germany.](#)
[Universität München](#)

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

We will not be silent : the White Rose student resistance movement that defied Adolf Hitler.
<https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=1484512>
Hans and Sophie Scholl : German resisters of the White Rose.
<https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=411431>
Sophie Scholl : the real story of the woman who defied Hitler.
<https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=764449>
Sophie Scholl and the White Rose. <https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=621749>

A noble treason : the revolt of the Munich students against Hitler.

<https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=1139370>

Students against tyranny : the resistance of the White Rose, Munich, 1942-1943.

<https://catalog.denverlibrary.org/view.aspx?cn=3773>

Database/Online Resources

Library databases are online collections of information, organized for research. Databases contain articles, eBooks, images, maps, primary sources and more. [Register online](#) for a library card for immediate access to these resources. The following recommended databases are available on our [Research](#) and [Teen Social Studies](#) pages.

[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.

“Young German martyrs.” (Primary source.) <http://tinyurl.com/zjcfjkw> (Requires library card.)

“At last, recognition and praise for the resistance in Nazi Germany.” <http://tinyurl.com/hodr5ls> (Requires library card.)

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

“Anti-Nazi Germans.” (Primary source.) <http://tinyurl.com/hdud6z4>

[Academic Search Premier](#). Full-text articles on a variety of subjects.

“The White Rose and the Definition of 'Resistance'.” <http://tinyurl.com/hjo3zvn>

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.

At the heart of the White Rose : letters and diaries of Hans and Sophie Scholl. (Primary source.)

http://encore.coalliance.org/iii/encore/record/C__Rb10692647_S%22at%20the%20heart%20of%20the%20white%20rose%22_P0%2C1__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.

History of the White Rose movement from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum's Holocaust Encyclopedia. <https://www.ushmm.org/wlc/en/article.php?ModuleId=10007188>

Images of the original White Rose leaflets, with English translation. (Primary source.)

<http://www.holocaustresearchproject.org/revolt/wrleaflets.html>

The Center for White Rose Studies includes resources related to the White Rose and other German resistance. (Primary source.) <http://www.white-rose-studies.org/CWRS.html>