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**Arts**

**Fine Arts and Music Collection**
The Fine Arts and Music Collection places 10.4 million articles at the fingertips of students of drama, music, art history, and filmmaking.

**Business and Economics**

**ABI/Inform**
Provides articles from thousands of publications on business related topics.

**Australia/NZ Reference Centre**
Provides information on Australian and New Zealand current affairs and related topics.

**Computer Database**
Provides access to leading business and technical publications in the computer, telecommunications, and electronics industries.

**Community Information**

**Blacktown.id**
Blacktown.id provides statistical information on the local government area using current and past Census data.

**Blacktown Memories**
Access a growing collection of local historical material including photographs, maps and plans, oral histories and local materials.

**Community Directory (LINCS)**
Find community organisations throughout Blacktown and beyond.

**eLearning**

**Lynda.com**
Lynda.com is an online learning resource that helps everyone learn business, software, technology and creative skills to achieve personal and professional goals.

**Employment**

**My Career Match**
Take the quiz that helps you discover an ideal career. Gain insight into your strengths and personality type, the qualities you would bring to a job and get useful tips to help you write a winning resume.

**Encyclopaedia**

**Britannica Library Edition**
Britannica is an online encyclopaedia suitable for all ages. Provides access to images, videos, links to other websites and more.

**Family History**

**Ancestry Library Edition**
Access local and international genealogical and historical resources including: census records, military records, court, land and probate records, immigration collections and birth, death and marriage records.
(Visit the library to use)

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**Find My Past**
Access millions of records including passenger lists, musters and census data, church rolls, military service and court records from Australia, New Zealand and Britain.
(Visit the library to use)

**Internet History Resources**
Created with information from the State Library of NSW, State Records, and New England Archives, this database contains over 30,000 records of the people who lived and worked in NSW from 1850 to 1920. Note: Some records require an additional paid membership to gain access.
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**Trove - Digitised Newspapers**
Created by the National Library of Australia, Trove provides access to over 490 million Australian resources including books, images, historic newspapers, maps and more.

**General Reference**

**Academic Research Premier**
Provides articles and information on many areas of academic study including: biology, chemistry, engineering, physics, psychology and religion.

**Australia/NZ Reference Centre**
Australian/NZ Reference Centre provides information on Australian and New Zealand current affairs and related topics.
**Biography in Context**
An engaging online resource for those seeking information on the world’s most influential people.

**Britannica Library Edition**
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**Choice Magazine**
This database provides online access to Choice Magazine and product reviews and consumer campaigns conducted by Choice. *(Visit the library to use)*

**Hobbies & Craft Reference Centre**
Learn something new with detailed “how-to” instructions and creative ideas to meet the interests of virtually every hobby enthusiast.

**Master File Premier**
This database provides thousands of articles, along with photos, flags and maps, and over 81,000 primary source documents on a wide range of subjects including business, education, general science, health and more.

**National Geographic Kids**
National Geographic Kids includes the complete run of the magazine from 2009 to the present, as well as books, videos, and images. Texts are available for English Language Arts, social studies, and science classrooms.

**National Geographic Virtual Library**

**ProQuest Research Library**
ProQuest provides information and articles on over 150 subjects including art, film, music, business, news, general research, health and medicine, history, literature, science and technology, and social sciences.

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**Government**
**Blacktown City Council Business Papers and Minutes**
Discover what Council has been discussing.

**Drug Info @ Your Library**
Managed by the State Library of NSW and the NSW Department of Health, this database provides information on recreational and illicit drugs.

**Nursing and Allied Health Collection**
A comprehensive collection of periodicals and reference content supporting health care professionals.

**History**

**Ancient and Medieval History Online**
Explore important wars, peoples and the cultures of Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia, Greece, Rome, Africa, Asia, and the Americas. Also includes Medieval Europe, Asia and the Islamic Empire up to 1500AD.

**History Reference Centre**
Designed for secondary students and undergraduate research, this database features full text for thousands of primary source documents and informational texts.

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**Modern World History Online**
Discover world changing people, places and events in the broad expanse of history from 1450 to the 21st century.

**World History in Context**
Reaches back to the ancient world – and forward to today’s headlines – to deliver a chronicle of the great cultures and societies that have formed the history of the human race.

**Law**

**Australian Legal Information Institute (AustLII)**
Access Australian and international legal materials, including a law specific search engine, links, Australian cases, law and other legal matters.

**Find Legal Answers**
Developed by Legal Information and Access Centre at the State Library of NSW, this database provides access to current and easy to understand information about the law in NSW.

**Literature**

**AustLit - Australian Literature Gateway**
AustLit provides access to information on Australian literature and storytelling. *(Visit the library to use)*

**Books and Authors**
Looking for a good book, but not sure where to start try Books and Authors.
Bloom’s Literature
Do you have an English assignment? Learn strategies for writing English essays. Study the most influential works of world literature.

Literary Reference Centre Plus
Access articles and information on thousands of authors and their works.

Novelist Plus
Look up works of fiction and nonfiction. Discover award winning books, access discussion guides, talks, recommended reads and more.

News and Current Affairs

Australia/New Zealand Newsstream
Provides access to leading Australian and New Zealand media outlets including regional and major metropolitan newspapers, and content from ABC and APP newswires.

Australia/NZ Reference Centre
Australia/NZ Reference Centre provides information on Australia and New Zealand current affairs and related topics.

Australian Points of View Reference Centre
Need information for a debate? Want to know opposing views on topics such as euthanasia, Australia becoming a republic or climate change? Then take a look here.

Communications and Mass Media Collection
Access nearly 3 million articles on all aspects of the communications field, including advertising, public relations and marketing.

Global Issues in Context
Global Issues In Context provides a global perspective while tying together a wealth of authoritative content, helping learners to critically, analyse and understand the most important issues of the modern world.

Opposing Viewpoints in Context
Covering all of today’s hottest social issues, from capital punishment to immigration to marijuana this research database supports science, social studies, current events, and language arts classes.

Science and Environment

Gale Interactive Science
Get a comprehensive view of the most-studied science subjects. Authoritative, high-quality digital content is paired with interactive 3D models to provide a complete learning solution.

Greenfile
This resource focuses on the human impact on the environment, including climate change, pollution, recycling, renewable energy and much more.

Science in Context
Access experiments, projects and top content on hundreds of today’s top science topics from global publications.

Science Reference Centre
Provides articles from a range of sources including encyclopaedias and covers a variety of topics including, biology, chemistry, environment, health, history of science, life science, science biographies, space and more.

Standards

Standards Australia
A document collection of 6,800 Australian standard specifications, procedures and guidelines designed to ensure quality and establish safety criteria in products, services and systems. (Visit the library to use)

Statistics

Australian Bureau of Statistics
Australia’s official statistical organisation. Provides high quality and wide ranging statistics on aspects of life and business in Australia.

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Tutoring

Studiosity
Studiosity is a free, online tutoring service for students from years 4 to 12 who are members of Blacktown City Libraries. This service is available Sunday-Friday, 3.00 pm - 12.00 pm (except during Christmas).

Need more?
You can access the extensive eResource database collection of the State Library of New South Wales with your Blacktown City Libraries membership. Words and terms you may come across:

Abstract: is a summary of an article. Sometimes this is all that is available online.
Database: information arranged so it is found or accessed easily
EResource: information provided in electronic format
Citation/Reference: needed when completing assignments. The citation tells you who wrote the article, when and where published and the journal or online source it appeared in.
Full Text: the whole article is available online
Peer-reviewed Journal: refers to articles in academic journals that have been reviewed for their accuracy
Periodicals: another name for newspapers, magazines and journals
Scholarly or Professional Journals: journals containing articles written by people in specific professions for people in that field.
Visit the library to use this: the eResource can only be used in the library using the library’s computers or free wifi.
Our libraries

Max Webber Library
9839 6677
Corner Flushcombe Road and Alpha Street
Blacktown NSW 2148
Library Function Centre: 9839 6640
Monday – Friday 9.30 am – 7.45 pm
Saturday 9.30 am – 4.00 pm
Sunday noon – 4.00 pm

Our Library @ The Mount Druitt Hub
8886 2000
Ayres Grove
Mount Druitt NSW 2770
Monday – Thursday 9.30 am – 7.45 pm
Friday 9.30 am – 6.00 pm
Saturday 9.30 am – 4.00 pm
Sunday noon – 4.00 pm

Dennis Johnson Library
9421 2670
Corner Stanhope Parkway and Sentry Drive
Stanhope Gardens NSW 2768
Monday – Thursday 9.30 am – 7.45 pm
Friday 9.30 am – 6.00 pm
Saturday 9.30 am – 4.00 pm
Sunday noon – 4.00 pm

Lalor Park Library
9624 5243
Corner Freeman Street and Northcott Road
Lalor Park NSW 2147
Monday – Wednesday and Friday 9.30 am – 5.00 pm
Thursday noon – 7.45 pm
Saturday 9.30 am – 11.45 am

Riverstone Library & Digital Hub
9627 3823
First floor, Riverstone Village
Corner Market Street and Riverstone Parade
Riverstone NSW 2765
Monday – Wednesday and Friday 9.30 am – 5.00 pm
Thursday noon – 7.45 pm
Saturday 9.30 am – 11.45 am

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