

Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center

Sample Searches

Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center is a database that provides coverage of social issues as well as core reference content from sources to provide a complete one-stop source for information on social issues. This database provides access to Viewpoint articles, topic overviews, statistics, primary documents, images, links to Web sites and full-text magazine and newspaper articles.

Search 1:

A student wants to write a report on different theories about what motivates terrorists as well as what antiterrorism measures have been suggested.

Solution:

1. Open *Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center* and click on the "Terrorism" link.
2. Retrieved are more than 80 viewpoint essays, more than 30 reference articles, one primary source document, 19 statistical reports, more than 17,000 magazine/newspaper articles, one image, and more than 10 Web sites.

Search 2:

How does the Greenhouse Effect work and how serious are the threats of climate changes?

Solution:

1. Open *Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center* and enter "Greenhouse Effect" in the "Enter your search term(s):" entry box at the top of the page.
2. Select "Search by Subject" and click on the "Search" button.
3. Retrieved are 10 viewpoint essays, 20 reference articles, two statistical reports, more than 470 magazine/newspaper articles, two images, and one primary document.

Search 3:

Is lethal injection a humane form of capital punishment?

Solution:

1. Open *Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center* and enter "lethal injection" in the "Enter your search term(s):" entry box at the top of the page.
2. Select "Search by Keyword" and click on the "Search" button.

3. Retrieved are five viewpoint essays, one reference article, one statistical report, and more than 460 magazine/newspaper articles.

Search 4:

Is abstinence-based sex education effective?

Solution:

1. Open *Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center* and go to the "Advanced Search" page.
2. Enter "abstinence" and selected "Title/Headline" in the first entry box.
3. Entered "sex education" and selected "Subject" in the second entry box.
4. Click on the "Search" to retrieve more than 15 viewpoint articles and more than 20 magazine/newspaper articles.

Search 5:

An e-mailer wanted to read viewpoint essays and periodical articles on North Korea and debates about how great or small a military threat it is to the United States and world peace.

Solution:

1. Opened *Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center* and entered "North Korea and nuclear" in the "Enter your search term(s):" entry box at the top of the page.
2. Selected "Search by Subject" and clicked on the "Search" button.
3. Retrieved were three viewpoint essays, one reference article, one statistical report, as well as more than 850 magazine/newspaper articles.