

Quick Guide to Encyclopædia Britannica Online for Kids

Overview

An online version of the classic reference work geared towards elementary and middle school students. Features include:

- Access to Compton’s Encyclopedia and the Elementary Encyclopedia.
- Videos about such subjects as science, history and the arts.
- Country profiles aimed at younger readers.
- Additional reference resources, such as dictionaries, a world atlas, and guides for students to prepare papers and presentations.

Details

Searching and browsing

1. Use the **Search the Encyclopedia** box to search Compton’s Encyclopedia (Britannica’s resource for middle school students) or Elementary Encyclopedia (for elementary school students).
2. The search box can also be used to search Merriam-Webster’s Student Dictionary.
3. You can browse Britannica for Kids by topics in alphabetical order or by subject.
4. There is also a separate index of biographies.

Workspace

1. The **Workspace** allows you to save Britannica content and organize it by project.
2. Click on the Workspace tab, then select **Create New Workspace**.
3. When reading an article, click on **Save to Workspace**, then select a project with which to save the article.
4. Workspaces can be exported in a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet or emailed to others by clicking on the appropriate buttons in your project’s workspace.

Student Center

1. The Student Center box contains video and media collections, additional references resources, guides to preparing papers and presentations, and special features.
2. The **Learning Materials** feature teaches children new concepts and skills through interactive lessons and study guides. Activities are grouped into Language Art, Science, Social Studies and Mathematics lessons.
3. **Geography Explorer** is an interactive game that teaches kids about geography.



4. **Animal Kingdom** combines the animal-related entries of Elementary Encyclopedia and selected video clips. Animals can be browsed by group, by habitat and alphabetically.
5. **Country Comparison** lets you view two country profiles of your choice side-by-side.
6. **Timelines** breaks down several different topics by key dates and events in history.

Discover America, Canada, Mexico, and Our World

1. **Discover America** provides facts and overviews of each U.S. state, adapted from the Compton's Encyclopedia.
2. **Discover Canada** and **Discover Mexico** provide similar information to Discover America for each Canadian province and Mexican state.
3. **Discover Our World** offers basic statistics and information about the countries of the world, grouped by continent.

Additional Features You Might Like

- The **Headlines** box offers the latest updates from Student News Net.
- The home page highlights important people and events, as well as the Animal of the Day.

More Information

- Help Pages
 - <http://help.eb.com/bolle/us/index.htm>
- Guided Tour (PDF)
 - http://corporate.britannica.com/library_kids_tour.pdf