

# *English & Literature Research Guide*

## REFERENCE SOURCES IN PRINT

### **Encyclopedias**

Encyclopedia of Southern Literature REF PS261 .S515 1997  
Masterplots Cyclopedia of Literary Characters REF PN44 .M3 1963  
Masterplots Cyclopedia of World Authors REF PN41 .M26 1958

### **Dictionaries & Thesauri**

Oxford English Dictionary REF PE1625 .O87 1989  
Webster's 3<sup>rd</sup> New International Dictionary REF PE1625 .W36 1961 on Dictionary Stand  
Roget's International Thesaurus REF PE1591 .R737 1992  
(*More dictionaries and thesauri in the REF PE section.*)

### **Indexes**

Columbia Granger's Index to Poetry REF PN1022 .H39 2002

### **Quotations**

Bartlett's Familiar Quotations REF PN6081 .B27 2002  
(*More quotation books in the REF PN6081 section.*)

### **Literary Criticism**

Nineteenth-Century Literature Criticism (NCLC) REF PN761 .N56  
Contemporary Literary Criticism (CLC) REF PN771 .C59  
Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism (TCLC) REF PN771 .G27  
Poetry Criticism (PC) REF PN1010 .P499  
African American Literary Criticism REF PS153 .N5 A33 1999

### **Plot Summaries & Reviews**

Masterplots (Literature) REF PN44 .M33  
The Best Plays (Theater Yearbook) REF PN6112 .B45

### **Biographical**

American Writers (4 vols.) REF PS129 .A55 1974  
20<sup>th</sup> Century Authors REF PN771 .K86 1942  
World Authors, 1950-1970 REF PN451 .W3 1975  
American Women Writers REF PS147 .A42 1983  
Contemporary Authors (CA) REF Z1224 .C6  
Contemporary Southern Writers REF PS261 .C569 1999

### **Citation Style Manuals**

MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers LB 2369 .G53 2003 (On Reserve)

## CALL NUMBERS FOR BROWSING THE SHELVES

<b>P</b>	Philology and linguistics (General)
<b>PA</b>	Classical languages and literatures
<b>PB</b>	Modern European languages (including Celtic)
<b>PC</b>	Romance languages
<b>PD</b>	Germanic languages
<b>PE</b>	English
<b>PF</b>	West Germanic
<b>PG</b>	Slavic languages and literatures
<b>PJ-PL</b>	Oriental languages and literatures
<b>PN</b>	General and comparative literature
<b>80-99</b>	Criticism
<b>1010-1551</b>	Poetry
<b>1560-1590</b>	The performing arts.
<b>1600-3299</b>	The drama
<b>3311-3503</b>	Prose. Prose fiction
<b>6011-6790</b>	Collections of general literature
<b>6080-6094</b>	Quotations
<b>6099-6110</b>	Poetry
<b>6110.5-6120</b>	Drama
<b>6141-6145</b>	Essays
<b>PQ</b>	Romance literatures
<b>PR</b>	English literature
<b>PS</b>	American literature
<b>PT</b>	Germanic literatures
<b>PZ</b>	Juvenile works

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**African American Poetry** via Chadwyck Healey- This is a collection of African - American poetry from 1750-1900.

**American Poetry** via Chadwyck Healey- This is a collection of American poetry from 1600-1900.

**Critical Companions to Popular Contemporary Writers** via Greenwood- This is analysis of current best selling fiction.

**English Poetry via Chadwyck-** English poetry from 600 to 1900.

**Faber Poetry Library-**This is a collection of 20<sup>th</sup> century poetry.

**Literature in context via Greenwood-** Historical and cultural context of classic titles in Literature.

**Novelist-** A database of fiction books that is searchable by author, title, series name and plot.

**Net library-** full text books that are viewable on line or in audio form.

**Twentieth Century African-American Poetry-** African American poetry from 1900-1999.

**Twentieth Century American Poetry-**American Poetry from 1900-1999.

**Twentieth Century English Poetry-**English poetry from 1900-1999.

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Full-text database of articles covering the arts and humanities, including literature. Literature topics include American and world literature, literary criticism, poetry, drama, fiction, non-fiction, biography, awards, and more.

### **WEBSITES FOR LITERATURE**

**Bartleby.com** (Available via the Internet at [www.bartleby.com](http://www.bartleby.com))

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