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A Smorgasbord of Some Reliable Websites

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A & E Television Networks. (2020). *Biography* online.

Retrieved from <https://www.biography.com/>

This website provides full length biographies including videos.

Congress. (n.d.). *Congress* online. Retrieved from

<https://www.congress.gov/>

This website informs the citizens about bills, laws, meetings, representatives, senators and more. A citizen can reach their representative or senator by clicking on the links on the right-hand side of the homepage, then choose his or her state of residence.

Encyclopedia. (2019). *Free online Encyclopedia*. Retrieved from

<https://www.encyclopedia.com/>

This website claims that the viewer can search over 200 individual encyclopedias and reference books from the world's most trusted publishers. (Encyclopedia.com, 2019)

Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc. (2020). *Britannica ProCon* online.

Retrieved from <https://www.procon.org/>

This website offers controversial topics that also consists of two points of view. The “Teacher’s Corner” offers lesson plans, videos, and quotes. It is a great source of topics for essays, research papers, debates, and class discussions. This website has been acquired by Encyclopedia Britannica in May of 2020.

Federal Communications Commission. (n.d.). *Federal Communications Commission online.* Retrieved from <https://www.fcc.gov/>

The Federal Communications Commission regulates interstate and international communications by radio, television, wire, satellite, and cable in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U. S. territories. (FCC.gov, n.d.)

Institute of Education Sciences. (n.d.). *Education Resources Information Center* online database. Retrieved from <https://www.eric.ed.gov/>

This website is dedicated to topics regarding education of all ages. The articles consist of both popular journals and scholarly journals. A user can indicate peer reviewed and/or full text. The database retrieves national and international authors, but all journal articles are written in English.

Kelly, M. (2020). High school debate topics. Retrieved from <https://www.thoughtco.com/debate-topics-for-high-school-8252>

This website lists several topics for debates, but these same topics can be used as topics for research papers, essays, and class discussions. The website also provides a list of topics for essays at various grade levels, speech topics, et cetera.

Library of Congress. (n.d.). *Library of Congress online.* Retrieved from <https://www.loc.gov/>

This website is the nation's library. It is an archive of literature, videos, audio, and other library materials.

Merriam-Webster, Inc. (2020). *Merriam-Webster's* online dictionary. Retrieved from <https://www.merriam-webster.com/>

This website provides definitions, synonyms, and antonyms for thousands of words. In addition, there is a highlighted word of the day, the origin of words, videos, and activities such as quizzes and games for children.

National Cancer Institute at the National Institutes of Health. (n.d.).

***National Cancer Institute* online. Retrieved from**

<https://www.cancer.gov/>

This website provides information and support to cancer patients, medical personnel, and caretakers.

National Endowment for the Arts. (n.d.). *Artists and Art Education*

online. Retrieved from <https://www.arts.gov/>

This website is an independent government resource to highlight art and artists. The organization offers grants, publications, videos, podcasts, slideshows, and webinars. There is also a blog to read the latest information.

National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse. (n.d.). *Fatherhood*

***Topics* online. Retrieved from <https://www.fatherhood.gov/>**

This website is an information and support clearinghouse for fathers.

Society for Science and the Public. (2000-2020). *Science News for*

***Students* online. Retrieved from**

<https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org/>

This website is an award-winning website which covers various science areas which include life, humans, earth, space, and tech.

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. (2020). *Labor Statistics* online.

Retrieved from <https://www.bls.gov/>

This website consists of various labor statistics, features various careers, provides publications, teacher/student resources, et cetera.

U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2020). *Endangered Species* online.

Retrieved from <https://www.fws.gov/endangered/>

This website lists animals on the endangered species list or close to this status. A viewer can research endangered species in their own county and state. The website also provides information on grants, laws, and permits, et cetera.

U. S. Food and Drug Administration. (2020). *Food and Drug*

***Administration*. Retrieved from <https://www.fda.gov/>**

This official federal agency oversees food, drug, medical devices, radiation-emitting products, vaccine, blood, biologics, animal & veterinary, cosmetics, and tobacco products. This agency also regulates recalls and more.

U. S. Government and Information Services. (n.d.). *USA Government*

online. Retrieved from <https://www.usa.gov/>

The official U. S. Government Services and Information website.

U. S. National Library of Medicine. (2020). *Medline Plus: Trusted health*

***Information for you* online. Retrieved from**

<https://www.medlineplus.gov/>

This website offers in layman's terms health information. It includes a medical encyclopedia and a National Institute of Health magazine. In addition, it includes videos and tools for citizens to access. Citizens can make better health decisions by utilizing the information presented.

