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Assignment: **Monuments of Washington, D.C.**

Using the Library Catalog: Key Words & Phrases



A good starting point is the Library Catalog.
Use the following subject searches.

Save time by using the subject search instead of words and phrases. Enter the word "monuments," select "Juvenile" and click on the "subject" button.

If you already know the name of your monument, type it into the search box, select "Juvenile" and click on the "words and phrases" button.

If you don't see it in our library, we can get it delivered here for you through the Old Colony Library Network!

You can also request a book by clicking the hand-shaped "hold" icon. Enter your library card number when prompted.

Browsing the Shelves: Call Numbers



Browsing by CALL NUMBER is also a great way to get ideas. Remember like books sit on the shelf next to one another. If you find a book on your topic, look at what is sitting next to it. Chances are there will be other books on your topic nearby.

For information on Washington D.C.:

- Browse shelves at **910.2** on the adult shelves or the Parents Collection.
- Browse shelves at **975** in the J Nonfiction section.

You can also go to the adult shelves to seek Young Adult books using the same numbers!

Some Titles We Have



Books to use in the library or take home.

Encyclopedias are an excellent starting point for any research project:

- *World Book Encyclopedia* **JREF 031 Wor**
- *Encyclopedia Britannica* (online, access through the Library website)

Single books:

National Parks: A Kid's Guide to America's Parks, Monuments & Landmarks **JNF 917.3**

Research Databases (to use, go to www.scituatestownlibrary.org)

Great for finding magazine and encyclopedia articles, images, audio and video clips.



- Encyclopedia Britannica
- Kids Info Bits
- InfoTrac
- Gale Virtual Reference Library

See the handout on getting into the databases from home or in the Library.

Some Librarian-approved Websites That Might Be Useful



Who has time for random Google Searches and questionable information? Try these sites:

National Park Service's Find a Park www.nps.gov/findapark/index.htm
Enter your monument's name. In the left navigation bar, click on the link for kids. Some parks and monuments have resources just for students!

Factmonster www.factmonster.com

DVDs



Try the same search in the library catalog (see above) but limit your search to DVDs in the dropdown menu!

Many videos are available through the Old Colony Library Network.