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## Using Gale Literature Resource Center

*Gale Literature Resource Center* contains the electronic version of the *Dictionary of Literary Biography*, *Contemporary Authors*, *Twayne's Author Series*, and selected content from *Contemporary Literary Criticism* that covers at least 800 well-known authors. Other literary resources from Gale are also included in the *Literature Resource Center*. All items are available full text.

### Accessing Gale Literature Resource Center

Access *Gale Literature Resource Center* by clicking **Electronic Resources** on the Mary Livermore Library's home page <http://www.uncp.edu/library>. Click the letter 'G' under **Databases by Title**. Find *Gale Literature Resource Center* at the top of the list and click on it.

You will need to have an active library account to access *Gale Literature Resource Center*. Contact the Reference Desk 910.521.6656 or Circulation Desk 910.521.6516 if you have questions concerning your library account.

### Searching Gale Literature Resource Center

Currently searching *Literature Resource Center* with 1,051,426 documents. **Use pull down to change area searched**

**Advanced Search**  
Select index(es) and enter term(s) to search (\*indicates a browseable index)

Person-By or About (pz) *	Langston Hughes	<a href="#">Browse</a>
And	Keyword (ke)	poetry
And	Name Of Work (w0) *	<a href="#">Browse</a>

[Add a Row](#)   **Search**   **Clear**

**limit results:**

to peer-reviewed publications **Click here to limit to peer-reviewed publications**

by publication date(s)  i.e., 2005 or 01/01/1990 - 12/31/2005 **Click here to limit by content type**

by content type:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Literature Criticism	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biographies
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Topic & Work Overviews	<input type="checkbox"/> Reviews & News
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary Sources & Literary Works	<input type="checkbox"/> Multimedia

Gale Literature Resource Center offers a Basic and an Advanced Search. The Advanced Search is recommended as it allows a more focused search. Click the **Advanced Search** button when Gale Literature Resource Center opens.

The Advanced Search allows for searching for person (by or about), name of work, keyword and other descriptors. The Advanced Search can limit a search to a particular language, document type, intended audience and publication date. Results can be limited by content also.

## Results

Gale Literature Resource Center will display 20 results at a time. The results are listed under the following tabs: *Literature Criticism*; *Biographies*; *Topics & Work Overviews*; *Reviews and News*; *Primary Sources and Literary Works*; and, *Multimedia*. The number of results per tab is also given. Click the tab to view the results in that area.

The screenshot shows the search results interface. On the left is a search sidebar with a search box containing 'Langston HUGHes' and a 'GO' button. Below the search box, there are options to narrow results by subject and limit to 25, 50, or 100 results. A list of search results is shown, including 'Hughes, Langston (11)', 'Montage of a Dream D... (3)', 'The Weary Blues (Poe... (3)', 'The Negro Speaks of... (3)', 'Ask Your Mama (Poetr... (2)', 'The Collected Poems ... (2)', 'Mother to Son (Poem) (2)', 'African American wri... (2)', and 'African American poe... (2)'. A red arrow points from the text 'Click here to narrow results to a particular poem or subject' to the 'Mother to Son (Poem) (2)' link.

The main results area shows 'Results for **Advanced Search** WO (Langston Hughes) And KE (poetry)'. There are six tabs: 'Literature Criticism (14)', 'Biographies (15)', 'Topic & Work Overviews (0)', 'Reviews & News (13)', 'Primary Sources & Literary Works (0)', and 'Multimedia (0)'. A red arrow points from the text 'Click a tab to view entries' to the 'Biographies (15)' tab. Below the tabs are filters for 'limit to: with images' and 'peer-reviewed', and a 'Sort by: Relevance' dropdown. There are navigation buttons for 'Mark All', 'Previous', '1', and 'Next'. The first result is '1. **An overview of "Mother to Son"**. Aidan Wasley. *Poetry for Students*. Detroit: Gale. A red arrow points from the text 'Click here for full text' to the 'Full-text' link below the citation. The second result is '2. **Langston Hughes and the "Nonsense" of Bebop**. John Lowney. *American Literature: A Journal of Literary History, Criticism, and Bibliography* 72.2 (June 2000): p357-385. Rpt. in *Poetry Criticism*. Ed. Timothy J. Sisler. Vol. 53. Detroit: Gale, 2004. p357-385. A 'Full-text' link is also present below this citation.

Click here to narrow results to a particular poem or subject

Results can be narrowed by clicking on a topic. The article full text can be view by clicking the link below the citation.

Articles may be e-mailed or downloaded when the article opens by using the links in a **Tools** box. To print, use the browser's print command. The article citation in MLA format appears at the end of the article.

To modify or revise a search, click **Previous Searches** at the top of the screen and then click **Revise**. Using the **Back** button of the browser will take you back to the search screen but will erase your search terms.