News from the Library

Get Moving with Research: The Big6™

When doing Library <u>Research and Assignments</u> it is very helpful to have a <u>strategy.</u> The **Big6 plan below** has proven to be effective not only for class assignments, but also for life-long information gathering, problem-solving, and decision making.

The Big6 is <u>a practical solution to dealing with information overload</u> and is well worth the initial effort to learn and apply. There are worksheets available to assist in accomplishing each task. Almost all problem solving situations include the **six major components** below, though not necessarily applied in the same order.

The Big6™ Skills

1. Task Definition

1.1 <u>Define the information problem</u>

1.2 <u>Identify information needed (to solve the information problem)</u>

> What is my current task?
>
> What are some topics or questions I need to answer?
>
> What information will I need?

2. Information Seeking Strategies

2.1 <u>Determine all possible sources (brainstorm)</u>

2.2 <u>Select the best sources</u>

> What are all the possible sources to check?
>
> What are the best sources of information for this task?

3. Location and Access (Library & Other Resources)

3.1 <u>Locate sources (intellectually and physically)</u>

3.2 <u>Find information within sources</u>

> Where can I find these sources?
>
> Where can I find the information in the source?

4. Use of Information

4.1 <u>Engage (e.g., read, hear, view, touch)</u>

4.2 <u>Extract relevant information</u>

> What information do I expect to find in this source?
>
> What information from the source is useful?

5. Synthesis

5.1 <u>Organize from multiple sources</u>

5.2 <u>Present the information</u>

> How will I organize my information?
>
> How should I present my information?

6. Evaluation

6.1 <u>Judge the product (effectiveness)</u>

6.2 <u>Judge the process (efficiency)</u>

> Did I do what was required?
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> Did I complete each of the Big6 Stages efficiently?

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To learn more, request a library class on the Big6, or to access worksheets, contact Mary Coleman, Instruction Librarian @ ext. 7340

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Introducing: Academic Onefile

Academic OneFile is a new database that provides <u>full-texted articles</u> from journals worldwide, reference resources, and <u>multimedia sources</u>. Multidisciplinary in scope, Academic OneFile, covers the physical and social sciences, the arts, law, theology, technology, medicine and allied sciences, and much much more.

The <u>PowerSearch</u> feature in the Advanced Search screen expands searching by searching simultaneously across multiple Gale databases. In addition to searching **Academic Onefile** at CCCC, **Opposing Viewpoints** and **Literature Resource Center** may be accessed using one search.

Request a demonstration for your class by contacting the library or ask a librarian for a demonstration.

Introducing: A New Look

Look for **new library furniture** to arrive in the Spring for a new, more colorful atmosphere.

Reminders

Library instruction for classes is strongly encouraged to assist student research. Contact Mary Coleman (ext. 7340) to request a class. Lee campus night class requests should be directed to Ellen or Leonard Viggiano (ext. 7244).

A **Scanner** has been located in each library since the beginning of Fall Semester 2010 for patron use.

A **Library Lab Class Schedule,** is located on the bulletin board next to the back door of the computer lab in the Lee library.

Password changes for <u>library databases</u> are always posted in the library section on the <u>Intranet</u> for instructors to pass on to their students.

Central
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Library Website: www.cccc.edu/library

Introducing: New Resources

These **New** <u>Online</u> **Databases** and **Resources** for research are available though the Library.
Academic OneFile (General)
Anatomy TV
eBooks (from Infobase Publishing)
Encyclopedia of Global Warming (from Salem Science)
Liebert Online
Psychology and Mental Health (from Salem Health)
Sex and Society (from Marshall Cavendish Digital)
STAT!Ref (Medicine/Allied Science)

Other databases are listed under **"Online Resources"** on the Library home page. **Tutorials** are located under **"Guides and Tutorials."**

Locations
Lee Campus, **Sanford,** NC 27330
Phone: 919-718-7244; Fax: 919-718-7378

Harnett Campus, **Lillington**, NC 27546   Phone: 910-814-8843

Chatham Campus**, Pittsboro**, NC 27312
Phone: 919-545-8084

Regular Library Hours
Sanford: 7:30am-9pm, M-Th; 7:30am-3:30pm, F
Lillington: 7:30am-8pm, M-Th; 7:30am-3:30 pm, F
Pittsboro: 9:am-8pm, M-Th; 9am-6pm F; 9am-1pm;
                     Sat; 9:00 am-1:00 pm

<u>Sanford and Lillington libraries are closed on Saturday and Sunday</u>. Hours may vary during Breaks. Changes will be posted on library doors. <u>Pittsboro library is open on Saturdays</u> for four hours.

The Staff

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