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Encyclopedia Britannica Online

Britannica Online is the enhanced online version of the print [Encyclopedia Britannica](#) located in the library's reference area. In addition to thousands of articles, it also features a dictionary/thesaurus, atlas, quotations, news links, media and video clips, journal articles, previewed websites and more. Access it by logging in to Campus Connect and then clicking on the Library tab. The Library screen provides two points of access: 1) clicking on the box at the top left (**Virtual Library – Start**) takes you to the Virtual Library web page or 2) using either of the top two links in the **Library Resources** box in the top middle. Either way, the link to *Britannica Online* is located in the *Reference* areas of both links - [... Resource Collections](#) and [... Resources by Subject](#).

Search Options: type word or phrase in [search box](#), choose Britannica or Dictionary and click Go.

1. Use keywords only, not words like *a, is, those, but, if, them* etc.
2. Two or more keywords or phrases need to be connected by either **AND, OR, or NOT**.
 - a. **AND** - articles contain **all** of the keywords or phrases.
 - b. **OR** - articles contain **any one** of the keywords or phrases.
 - c. **NOT** - **eliminates** articles containing certain keywords or phrases

The screenshot shows the Britannica Online homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'HOME', 'WORKSPACE', 'GUIDED TOUR', and 'HELP'. Below this is a search bar with a 'GO' button and 'Advanced Search' link. A dropdown menu shows 'Encyclopaedia Britannica Online' selected and 'Merriam-Webster Dictionary & Thesaurus' as an option. Suggested searches include 'Mozart', 'Saturn', and 'Iraq'. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column, titled 'RESEARCH TOOLS', lists various search and browsing options like 'The Index', 'A-Z Browse', 'Subject Browse', 'World Atlas', 'Timelines', 'Year in Review Browse', 'World Data', and 'Notable Quotations'. A callout bubble points to this section with the text 'Research Tools Good sources for topics and other specific information'. The middle column, titled 'BRITANNICA DAILY', features 'Britannica Highlights' (July 8 anniversary of architect Philip C. Johnson), 'Biography of the Day' (Rembrandt van Rijn), and 'This Day in History' (1965: Close-up pictures of Mars provided by Mariner 4). The right column, titled 'Daily Content', features news snippets from 'The New York Times ON THE WEB', 'BBC NEWS', and 'SBS WORLD NEWS'. A callout bubble points to this section with the text 'Daily Content Learn something new every day through selected articles, biographies, historical events, news sources and spotlighted topics.' At the bottom, there is a 'Spotlight Archive' section and a 'FEATURED SPOTLIGHT: Women's History' section.



Search Results Screen

Encyclopedia Britannica results always display first

Media & Video results always shown on right

The screenshot shows the search results for 'medicine' on the Britannica Online Academic Edition. The search bar at the top contains 'medicine' and the results are displayed in a list format. The first result is from the Encyclopedia Britannica, followed by Concise Encyclopedia, Media, and Web Sites. On the right side, there is a 'MEDIA' section with results 1-4 of 16, including 'Chinese Medicine: Asian Health Secrets' and 'Pet Health: Ultrasound'. A 'Workspace' button is visible in the top right corner.

Click on each of these links to see more results.

Workspace - Save articles for future use; click on page icon beside each title.

Article Screen: can use Search box on either screen to change search terms at any time

The screenshot shows the full article page for 'medicine' on the Britannica Online Academic Edition. The article title is 'medicine' and it is from the Encyclopedia Britannica. The main text discusses the practice of medicine and its history, mentioning the World Health Organization and the Alma-Ata Health Declaration. On the left side, there is a 'Table of Contents' section with expandable links. On the right side, there is an 'Expand your Research' section with links to 'Journals And Magazines', 'The Web's Best Sites', and 'Additional Readings'. A 'Workspace' button is visible in the top right corner.

SAVING ARTICLES OPTIONS

Printing or emailing

Links to more results.

Links to related articles underlined.

Click on any images or videos for larger view or to play.

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