


chapter 6
Gathering Materials

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Your Own Knowledge

Draw on personal experience



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Library Resources

- Librarians
- Catalogue
- Periodical databases
- Newspapers
- Reference works

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Catalogue

**Listing of all books,
periodicals, other resources
owned by library**

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Periodical Database

**Research aid that catalogues
articles from many journals,
magazines**

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Abstract

- **Summary of magazine or journal article**
- **Don't cite abstract alone**

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Reference Work

Work that synthesizes large amount of related information



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Types of Reference Works

- Encyclopedias
- Yearbooks
- Quotation books
- Biographical aids

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Internet Searching

- Search engines
- Specialized resources

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Specialized Resources

- Virtual libraries
- Government resources
- Multicultural resources

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Evaluating Internet Docs

- Authorship
- Sponsorship
- Recency

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Research Interview

Interview to
get speech
information



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Preparing Questions

Avoid:

- Questions you can answer without interview
- Leading questions
- Hostile, loaded questions

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Tips for Doing Research

- Start early
- Make preliminary bibliography
- Think about materials
- Take notes efficiently

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Efficient Note-Taking

- Take plenty of notes
- Record in consistent format
- Make separate entry for each
- Distinguish among direct quotations, paraphrases, your own ideas

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