

COUNTRY - RESOURCE SUGGESTIONS

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Book Resources	http://wgss.ca/ Link through wgss.ca – Library - Catalogue to access	You may find non-fiction texts on your topic.	See encyclopedia sets in the Reference area. Also World Book People & Places . Investigate websites using Webpath Express web page links from Catalogue page.
Langley Databases	http://wgss.ca/ Link through wgss.ca – library - home tab - to access	World Book – general information, primary sources. EBSCO's Canadian Reference Centre – for specific academic articles	From home need to use password: langley/langley35 .
Langley Databases	http://wgss.ca/	In databases see new resource under Gale Resources: Global Issues in Context	Use password: langley langley35
Wolfram Alpha	http://wolframalpha.com/	Computational search engine. Find population and other current country statistics.	Sometime you have to play around with the wording to get the results you are searching.
Sweet Search Another recent search engine created by information literacy experts.	www.sweetsearch.com (Supported through Dulcinea) Another search engine which you can link to at http://www.findingdulcinea.com	Great search engine that filters results by quality. Students find websites that have been chosen for their content.	No spam or marginal sites that lack academic rigor. The very best web sites that appear on the first page of SweetSearch results are often buried on other search engines.

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NationMaster	http://www.nationmaster.com/index.php	A massive central data source, tool which allows you to graphically compare nations. NationMaster is a vast compilation of data from such sources as the CIA World Factbook, UN, and OECD. You can generate maps and graphs for many different statistics with ease.
World Factbook	https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/	Updated weekly, sponsored by the CIA
Canadian International Development Agency	http://www.acdi-cida.gc.ca/home	Canada's lead agency for development assistance, look at the mission statements and project browser for ideas to support your own proposal.
UN Global Issues	http://www.un.org/en/globalissues/	Sponsored by the United Nations. This website offers an overview of some of these global issues, and links to other resources where you can get additional information.
Global Issues	http://www.globalissues.org/	Created by an individual, has indexed and cached a number of readable articles on global issues.

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