



World News Digest

What is World News Digest?

This database, published by Facts On File World News Digest, provides information about events, issues, statistics and people since 1940. It includes maps, photographs, historic documents and overviews of key issues, newsmakers and events. News stories from the Reuters news service are updated hourly. Other content is updated weekly.

How do I get to World News Digest?

1. Start at the Multnomah County Library web site: www.multcolib.org
2. Click on the **Homework Center** link
3. Click on the link at **Homework databases**



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Homework Center

Got a homework project? Need to do Internet research or find articles for a school project?
Here's a great place to start.

[Homework databases](#)

Use one of these databases to find articles on your topic! Databases help you find quality magazine and encyclopedia articles that you (and your teachers) can trust.

4. Scroll down to **Current Events (World News Digest)** and click.
5. Type in your Multnomah County Library card number and PIN. (Your PIN is usually the last 4 digits of your telephone number.)

You will get to a screen that is divided into two frames, like the one below. The bigger frame on the right features an in-depth examination of current issues, along with links to recent events. In addition, you can choose to review the **Special Features** and **Research Topics**. The **Special Features** include Country Profiles, Historic Documents, newspaper editorials and cartoons, profiles of Newsmakers and more. The tabs at the top of the frame link to encyclopedia and almanac searches, as well as curriculum tools that will help you pursue your research.

The frame on the left allows you to search for your topic by keyword. You can also choose to read the top news stories for each year from 1940 to the present, or you can search by country or issue.

The screenshot shows the 'Facts On File WORLD NEWS DIGEST' website. The header includes the site name and 'U.S. AND WORLD NEWS: 1940 - PRESENT'. A navigation bar contains 'ENCYCLOPEDIA', 'ALMANAC', and 'CURRICULUM TOOLS'. A search box on the left is pre-filled with 'oil spill' and has a 'GO' button. Below the search box are checkboxes for 'Search Story and Title Text' (checked) and 'Search Title Text Only'. There are also 'Sort Option For Results List' checkboxes for 'By Relevance Rank' and 'By Story Date' (checked). An 'Optional Date Range' section has 'From' and 'To' dropdown menus. At the bottom of the search options is an 'Advanced Search' link. The main content area features a featured story titled 'Remembering 1960: The "Year of African Independence"' with a photo of a banner and a text description. To the right is a 'Recent Featured Stories' list with several bullet points. At the bottom, there are three tabs: 'TOP NEWS STORIES BY DECADE', 'IN-DEPTH COVERAGE', 'SPECIAL FEATURES', and 'NEED A RESEARCH TOPIC?'.

To search for your topic:

- ✓ Click in the search box.
- ✓ Type your topic in the box. If you are searching for a phrase, put it in quotation marks (for example, "oil spill").
 - ✓ If you want to limit your search to include **only** articles where your topic words appear in the title, click the box next to "Search Title Text Only."
 - ✓ If you are only interested in articles that appeared between certain dates, you can choose those dates in the **Optional Date Range** boxes.
- ✓ Click the "**Go**" button or press Enter.

You now have a list of articles about your topic, starting with the most recent. The articles are tabbed and organized by type: News Articles, Analysis & Background, and Reference Shelf.

- **News Digest Articles** are from the Facts On File World News Digest
- **Breaking News – Reuters** is an hourly news feed from the Reuters news service.
- **Analysis & Background** articles come from the various **Special Features** content available from the database's first page.
- **Reference Shelf** articles come from The World Almanac and The World Almanac Encyclopedia.

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SEARCH OPTIONS

Keyword Search

"oil spill" **GO**

Search Story and Title Text
 Search Title Text Only

Sort Option For Results List

By Relevance Rank
 By Story Date

Optional Date Range [\(reset\)](#)

From:
 To:

Advanced Search **GO**
 (Search all Databases)

Search Results for: "oil spill"

News Digest Articles (290) | Breaking News-Reuters (19) | Analysis & Background (13) | Reference Shelf (14)

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2. Accidents and Disasters: News in Brief	August 23, 2010
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4. Gulf of Mexico Oil Disaster: Well Plug Passes First Tests; Other ...	August 08, 2010
5. 'Static Kill' Plug of Oil Well in Gulf of Mexico Called a Success ...	August 04, 2010
6. Environment: Pipeline Break Causes Michigan River Oil Spill	July 25, 2010
7. Gulf of Mexico Oil Disaster: 'Relief Well' Rig Returns Following ...	July 24, 2010
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9. International News: Cameron Rejects Probe of Libyan's Release	July 20, 2010
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✓ Click on the name of any article to review it.

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Issue Date: **September 09, 2010**

Gulf of Mexico Oil Disaster: Blowout Preventer Removed From Well; Other Developments

- [BP Report Blames Contractors](#)
- [Gulf Oil Platform Catches Fire](#)
- [New BOE Conflict of Interest Rules Set](#)

Retired Coast Guard Admiral Thad Allen, the leader of the federal response to the Gulf of Mexico oil disaster, September 3 said British oil company BP PLC that day had successfully removed the blowout preventer device from the damaged Macondo oil well. Allen said a new blowout preventer would be installed before responders completed a "bottom kill" operation that was intended to be the final step in permanently sealing the well, which had leaked some 4.9 million barrels (206 million gallons) of oil before being successfully capped in mid-July. [See 2010 [Gulf of Mexico Oil Disaster: Relief Well Plug Installation Pushed Back; Other Developments](#)]

The article is on the right side of the page. On the left side of the page are links to related articles:

← Back in Time

[Gulf of Mexico Oil Disaster: Relief Well Plug Installation Pushed Back Other Developments \(2010\)](#)

Ahead in Time →

[Environment: Pipeline Break Causes Michigan River Oil Spill \(2010\)](#)

Overviews

[Issues and Controversies: Deepwater Oil Drilling](#)

[Today's Science: Deepwater Horizon: Where Has All the Oil Gone?](#)

[World Almanac Encyclopedia: Department of the Interior](#)

[World Almanac Encyclopedia: Mexico, Gulf of](#)

Scroll down to the bottom for citation information and a Record URL for this article. When you type or copy the Record URL into the address line on a computer and hit Enter, this article will appear (as long as you are logged in with your library card number and PIN).

[Modern Language Association \(MLA\)](#)

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For further information see [Citing Sources in MLA Style](#).

Facts On File News Services' automatically generated MLA citations have been updated according to the *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*, 7th edition.

[American Psychological Association \(APA\)](#)

Citation format:

The title of the article. (Year, Month Day). *Facts On File World News Digest*. Retrieved Month Day, Year, from World News Digest database.

See the [American Psychological Association \(APA\) Style Citations](#) for more information on citing in APA style.

Record URL:

<http://0-www.2facts.com.catalog.multcolib.org/article/2010527440>

✓ If you wish to return to the list of articles, click on your browser's back button.

- ✓ If you'd like to return to the search screen to do a new search, click on the icon shaped like a house in the upper right corner. You can also type in a new keyword(s) in the search box.
- ✓ To print an article, click on the printer icon.
- ✓ To email an article, click the envelope icon.
- ✓ Saving items in a Folder will allow you to retrieve them later.



Curriculum Tools can help direct your research (there's stuff for your teacher too!):

The screenshot shows the 'Facts On File WORLD NEWS DIGEST' website. The header includes 'U.S. AND WORLD NEWS: 1940 - PRESENT' and 'AVAILABLE DATABASES'. The navigation bar has 'ENCYCLOPEDIA', 'ALMANAC', and 'CURRICULUM TOOLS' (which is selected). The 'Curriculum Tools' section is titled and includes a description: 'With more than 65 years of comprehensive, accurate and focused coverage of U.S. and international events, written weekly as they unfolded, the Facts On File World News Digest is an ideal tool for researching and teaching about the world we live in. The Curriculum Tools provide supplementary features that help both students and teachers get the most out of the information available in the database and put it to use. Students can find special guides to researching major topics in the news, past and present, and to using their findings in assignments. Teachers will find a wide variety of creative classroom activities and homework assignments, as well as helpful guides to teaching with the Facts On File World News Digest.'

The 'Curriculum Tools' section is divided into two columns:

- TOOLS FOR STUDENTS**
 - Research Tools**
 - [Need a Research Topic?](#)
 - [Timelines](#)
 - [Events & Issues in Depth](#)
 - [Country Profiles](#)
 - [Ready Reference Features in the Facts On File World News Digest](#)
 - Presenting Your Research**
 - [Avoiding Plagiarism](#)
 - [Citing Sources](#)
 - [Writing a Research Paper](#)
 - [Writing and Delivering Speech](#)
- TOOLS FOR EDUCATORS**
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 - Teaching Aids**
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Scavenger Hunt

- Find an article from 1963 about President Kennedy.
- Using the Special Features section, find a photo of the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.
- See what the top news stories were on or near the day you were born.

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