



1. Home access codes: see your library staff for the username and password.
2. Make using INFOhio databases part of your classroom routine. They're not just for reports and research papers. Use them as a source for nonfiction reading and comprehension, which forms a large part of achievement tests and OGT.
3. Use INFOhio for nonfiction reading passages. Use the lexile ratings in EBSCO and SIRS Discoverer to target the reading level you want students to use.
4. Check the help resources. Get to them from the Educator page or from Core Collection on the INFOhio home page. You'll find: teacher guides, activity packets for students, general guides to use and more for all resources.
5. Use the tutorials if you're not familiar with these tools—a great way to get started.
6. Most databases show you how to cite sources you are using for reports or projects.
7. When in doubt, get help from your school librarian/media specialist!

Database	Focus	Features
Access Science	Good middle school readers, high school	Search by term or use topic list. Use image of the week; provide background information for your teaching.
Amico	Art resource	Images from museums with subject search by topic and artist
American National Biography (ANB)	See their manual: "A Teacher's Guide to Using ANB Online"	Reading a biographical essay; using biography with primary sources
Annals of American History	Primary source documents, speeches, images, audio	Includes a timeline. Each entry has historical background
Britannica	All-purpose source, with links to other websites judged to have good info for students.	Includes study guides, dictionary / thesaurus, interactive lessons in core subject areas, atlas
Ebsco	Full text magazines, grouped for elementary, middle and secondary. Save, print, email articles & citations.	Don't miss the professional collection—650 journals and ERIC documents. Set alerts to topics you want to know about.
Enciclopedia Universal en Español	Spanish encyclopedia	Has translating software embedded.
Literature Online	Full text of a specific set of literary texts.	Has search capabilities for portions of work, or word search.
Newsbank	Newspapers, both Ohio and national	Special collections of articles for notable topics. Can set custom search.
Landsat	Aerial satellite images of Ohio.	
Oxford Reference	Short references for all sorts of topics	Special features include an atlas and timelines.
Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps	Historical collection.	Find your street or city—maps down to individual properties.
SIRS Discoverer	Elementary focus; articles have lexiles for reading level	Strong support materials include workbooks for elementary & middle school