

Web Resources for 16th Century Research

Eurodocs

http://eudocs.lib.byu.edu/index.php/Britain_1486-1688

A wiki of links to on-line versions of primary source documents.

Renaissance Electronic Texts

<http://www.library.utoronto.ca/utel/ret/ret.html>

Reissues in SGML encoding and plain transcription, using old-spelling, a series of selected English Renaissance texts of printed books and manuscripts.

Lexicons of Early Modern English

<http://leme.library.utoronto.ca/search/>

Searches a group of 157 dictionaries dating from 1450 to 1702. Basic access is free; full privileges cost \$75/year.

Royal Historical Society Bibliography

<http://www.rhs.ac.uk/bibl/bibwel.asp>

An index to articles on British history from 490 journals in the history field, updated three times a year. Replaces the former print publications *Writings on British History* and *Annual Bibliography of British and Irish History*. Includes all of their content plus additional material. Free.

ITER - Gateway to the Renaissance

<http://www.itergateway.org/>

Indexes over 300 journal titles to create a bibliography of articles, essays, books and reviews related to the Middle Ages and the Renaissance (400-1700). Includes a number of databases useful to the fields of classical, medieval, and Renaissance studies. Some parts are publicly available; find out if your local university subscribes.

The National Archives (formerly the Public Record Office)

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/searchthearchives/?source=searcharchives>

The National Archives catalogue database contains 10 million descriptions of documents from central government, courts of law and other UK national bodies, including records on family history, medieval tax, criminal trials, the history of many countries and many other subjects.

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/latin/beginners/>

This tutorial is a beginners' guide to the Latin used in documents between 1086 and 1733.

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/latin/advanced/>

A web tutorial continuing on from the beginning Latin series.

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/palaeography/>

A web tutorial to help you learn to read handwriting found in documents written in English between 1500 and 1800.

<http://www.a2a.org.uk/>

An online index to local archives in England and Wales covering the 8th century to today.

British History Online

<http://www.british-history.ac.uk/>

A digital library containing some of the core printed primary and secondary sources for the medieval and modern history of the British Isles. Created by the Institute of Historical Research and the History of Parliament Trust.

Ordnance Survey

<http://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/oswebsite/>

Britain's government mapping agency. A good tool to identify an unknown location - type in the name and it gives you a list of possibilities; choose one to see the relevant section of the map. You can also order maps, including reproductions of historical maps.

Early Modern Resources

<http://earlymodernweb.org.uk/emr/>

A gateway site for web resources on early modern history (1500-1800, not limited to Europe). Only includes resources that are free access.

Internet Early Modern Sourcebook - Reformation Europe

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbook1.html>

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbook02.html>

Links to a large number of primary source documents for the period.

Intute: Arts & Humanities

<http://www.intute.ac.uk/artsandhumanities/>

A gateway to websites in arts and humanities: history, languages, literature, etc.

GENUKI

<http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/eng/>

A gateway site for web resources on genealogy. Includes much historical and geographical information.

<http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/eng/Gazetteers.html>

GENUKI's gazetteer page - several useful resources.

Luminarium

<http://www.luminarium.org/renlit/>

A site giving full text of much of the poetry of the sixteenth century, with short biographies of the poets.

Victoria County History Project

<http://www.victoriacountyhistory.ac.uk/>

The VCH is an encyclopedic record of England's places and people from earliest times to the present day. The website reports on the progress of the project and gives links to individual county project web-pages.

English Handwriting 1500-1700

<http://www.english.cam.ac.uk/eres/ehoc/>

An online course in paleography.

H-Albion Reviews

<http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showlist.cgi?lists=H-Albion>

An online collection of book reviews that have appeared on the H-Albion lists.

Institute for British and Irish Studies

<http://www.usc.edu/schools/college/history/ibis/links/>

A gateway to electronic resources in British and Irish studies. Aimed at college-level educators.

WorldCat

<http://www.worldcat.org/>

Free search access to the catalog of OCLC, a cooperative cataloging organization with input from libraries all over the world. In the works is a project called WorldCat Local, which will permit you to locate a book in a library near you.

The Origins of Early Modern Literature

<http://www.oeml-research.group.shef.ac.uk/>

A recently started project which will involve the compilation of a searchable, on-line catalogue of literary works, 1519-1579, including details of titles, authors, printers, booksellers, dedicatees, and information about genres, sources and literary coteries. There is not much in the database yet, but it shows promise.

Digital Librarian

<http://www.digital-librarian.com/medieval.html>

"A librarian's choice of the best of the web" - a gateway site to many resources. This is the page for medieval & Renaissance studies. Also check the page for Images.

Center for Reformation & Renaissance Studies

<http://www.crrs.ca/>

Online exhibit of pages from books from the period. Various other resources.

Renaissance Forum

<http://www.hull.ac.uk/renforum/>

An online journal, free access. Includes book reviews.

Measuring Worth

<http://www.measuringworth.com/calculators/ppoweruk/>

A site that lets you calculate the relative value of money from 1264 to 2006, in terms of modern worth.

Streetmap UK

<http://www.streetmap.co.uk/>

An online atlas to British cities.

Directory of Open Access Journals

<http://www.doaj.org/>

A gateway to free on-line journals in many subject areas.

The Online Books Page

<http://onlinebooks.library.upenn.edu/>

A gateway site to over 25,000 books available online. Includes titles from Project Gutenberg and many others.

The Internet Library of Early Journals

<http://www.bodley.ox.ac.uk/ilej/>

Scanned issues from 18th and 19th century journal titles including *Notes & Queries*, *Gentleman's Magazine*, *Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine*, and others.