

31-	Mike's Weblibliography, Part 31
01	<p><u>"I Will Be Heard: Abolitionism in America"</u></p> <p>On display from June 5 through September 27, 2003, "Abolitionism in America" documents our country's intellectual, moral, and political struggle to achieve freedom for all Americans. Featuring rare books, manuscripts, letters, photographs, and other materials from Cornell's pre-eminent anti-slavery and Civil War collections, the exhibition explores the complex history of slavery, resistance, and abolition from the 1700s through 1865. The exhibition offers a rare opportunity to view some of Cornell Library's greatest treasures, including a manuscript copy of the Gettysburg Address written by Abraham Lincoln, a manuscript copy of the Emancipation Proclamation, and a copy of the 13th Amendment signed by Lincoln and members of Congress. <i>Website</i></p>
02	<p><u>A Proud Heritage-- 100 Years of Nursing Education</u></p> <p>In the late 1980s, nursing alumni, faculty, and students began planning for the one hundredth anniversary observance of the founding of the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Nursing. The school traces its rich heritage back to the organization of the Virginia Hospital Training School for Nurses which opened in 1893. Betsy A. Bampton (MCV Class of 1960) undertook the writing of a school history published as the centennial celebration was set to begin. In this abundantly illustrated work, Bampton and her collaborators chronicle the development and growth of the eight diverse schools and programs that formed the foundation of the VCU School of Nursing. The stories unveiled in A Proud Heritage are integral to a full understanding of the VCU School of Nursing today. <i>Website</i></p>
03	<p><u>ACT Raising Safe Kids Program</u></p> <p>Launched by the American Psychological Association (APA) in 2001, and revised several times since, the ACT Raising Safe Kids Program relies on research evidence to provide training about positive, effective parenting. Coordinated by the APA's Violence Prevention Office, ACT aims to "strengthen family and improve parenting skills and practices to create safe and healthy environments" for kids. The program is explained in depth on the homepage, and the ACT for Parents/Caregivers section offers fact sheets and handouts in English as well as Spanish. Professionals can navigate to Training and Certification, as well as Resources, to find out what they can learn from this excellent program. Also of interest are the Evaluation Studies that provide information on the research that has been conducted on the program's effectiveness. <i>I. S.</i></p>

04	<p>Adachi Museum of Art</p> <p>The Journal of Japanese Gardening has ranked the Adachi Museum of Art's Japanese gardens number one in its "Japanese Garden Rankings" for eleven consecutive years. Visit this site and you'll see why. The homepage features breathtaking photographs of the gardens in all four seasons, complete with waterfalls, beautiful stone work, and quaint tea houses tucked into manicured hill sides. Selecting The Gardens in the Four Seasons will reveal more beautiful images of the landscape. Readers can "enter" the museum by clicking on Collections, which is searchable by individual artist within the categories of Modern Japanese Paintings, Contemporary Japanese Paintings, Ceramic Works, Pictures for Children, or Wood Carvings. Whichever way you navigate, beauty awaits. <i>I. S.</i></p>
05	<p>Alaska Resources Library and Information Services</p> <p>Alaska Resources Library and Information Services (ARLIS), the self-proclaimed "Mother Lode of Alaska Resources Information," is a find for anyone fascinated by the 49th state. A collaboration between federal and state agencies and the University of Alaska at Anchorage, the library features online explorations of First Nation tribes, environmental management, state government, and many other topics. Click Resources for a list of the Databases, Special Collections, and other topics. Points of interest include the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill and the Iditarod Historic Trail special collection that features numerous oral history recordings. An Advanced Catalog Search makes finding what you are looking for that much easier. <i>I. S.</i></p>
06	<p>America's Music</p> <p>America's Music, curated by the Tribeca Film Institute, "uses documentary films and text to engage the public in a study of some of America's most enduring popular music." There are six sessions on display here: The Blues and Gospel Music, Broadway and Tin Pan Alley, Swing Jazz, Country and Blue Grass, Rock, and From Mambo to Hip Hop. On the site, click any one of the categories for an engaging topic essay, as well as a Filmography, Bibliography, Discography, and related Web Sites. For instance, under the Blues and Gospel Music, readers can peruse an erudite overview by Charles F. McGovern of the College of William and Mary, for tidbits on such greats as Bessie Smith, Robert Johnson, and Memphis Minnie. Best of all, the Tribeca Film Festival has brought the exhibition on the road. Click Screening Locations to find a spot in your state to view America's Music in person. <i>I. S.</i></p>

07	<p>American Historical Association</p> <p>As the oldest and largest professional organization dedicated to “the study and promotion of history and historical thinking,” the American Historical Association (AHA) has a lot on its plate. The Association was founded in 1884 when a group of academics recognized that a new discipline was taking shape. They subsequently split from the American Social Science Association, despite objections from their social scientist peers. Today, the AHA has over 15,000 members. The website is stocked with historical goodies. Click About AHA & Membership, and then AHA History and Archives, where you can read a Brief History of the AHA, AHA Annual Reports going back to 1997, and Presidential Addresses going back to the 1880’s. The AHA Today Blog, easily accessible from the homepage, is updated daily. Also, don’t miss the American Historical Review and Perspectives on History, listed under Publications and Directories. <i>I. S</i></p>
08	<p>American Council on Science and Health</p> <p>It’s a well rehearsed trope that information age homo sapiens have access to more information than any previous generation. In fact, it seems we create more information in two days than was generated, period, before 2003. But finding good information? That’s tricky. Take a look at the American Council on Science and Health (ACSH) if you want peer-reviewed, expert opinions about issues related to health and the environment. However, be prepared for an “industry-friendly” point of view, as this group has clear advocacy goals. On the site, start with News and Views where you can read all the latest on chemicals, vaccines, smoking, and other topics. Browse by Topic to explore Chemicals and Environment, Medical and Pharma, Nutrition and Lifestyle, Public Policy, and Tobacco. The original reports released by the ACSH can be found under Publications. <i>I. S.</i></p>
09	<p>Aquarius</p> <p>The Medina Aquarius Program at Florida International University is home to the world’s only undersea research laboratory. Deployed in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary in 1993, the lab has hosted more than 120 missions and facilitated research that has led to over 600 scientific publications concerning essential issues like climate change, biodiversity, reef conservation, and ocean acidification. While teachers will appreciate lesson plans (listed under Education and Outreach), such as “If Reefs Could Talk 2010” and “Adventure Beneath the Sea,” other readers may enjoy the Mission Updates and Latest News offered on the homepage. The TEDx Talk by scientists Michael Heithaus and Deron Burkpile entitled, “Reimagine Possible: The Case for Manned Sea Exploration,” should also not be missed. Published on December 4, 2013, it can be found in the News section of the site. <i>I. S.</i></p>

10	<p><u>Archaeological Survey of India</u></p> <p>The Taj Mahal. Hawa Mahal. Mysore Palace. Sanchi Stupa. The historical monuments of India are some of the grandest and most beautiful in the world. The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), which oversees India's ancient monuments and archaeological sites, hosts a useful page for exploring India's methods of preserving its cultural heritage. After reading About Us, where you can learn about the organization itself, have a look at Monuments, Excavations, Conservation and Preservation, each of which provides important insights into the managing of essential subcontinental sites. Site visitors should also peruse the beautiful Photo Gallery, providing numerous images of both World Monuments and Excavations. <i>I. S.</i></p>
11	<p><u>Association for Psychological Science</u></p> <p>The Association for Psychological Science (APS), founded in 1988, seeks to "promote, protect, and advance the interests of scientifically oriented psychology in research, application, teaching, and the improvement of human welfare." This website takes a step toward that goal. Start with the homepage, where you can find a list of links to Psychological Science in the News, featuring up to date coverage of psychology research in such news outlets as the New York Times, ABC News, and many others. Also check out recent issues of Observer, the association's magazine, with articles about the latest scientific psychology. If you're interested in the science of psychology, this site will provide hours of learning and fun. Educators, especially, will find much to digest in the Teaching section, replete with APS Blogs by Wray Herbert and Teaching Tips. <i>I. S.</i></p>
12	<p><u>Autograph ABP</u></p> <p>According to its About page, "Autograph ABP is a charity that works internationally in photography, cultural identity, race, representation and human rights." To this end, Autograph ABP organizes exhibitions, public events, and publications as well as collaborates with artists and scholars. The Events and Exhibitions sections of the website list an ambitious program of events, mostly happening in London, with a few in Toronto and Arles, France. For virtual visitors, there's a nice collection of Multimedia, including interviews with a wide variety of artists and photographers, and documentaries, such as "The Olympic Move: The Relocation of Travellers in Hackney," a short story about Romany Gypsies and Irish Travellers who were relocated in 2007 to make way for the Olympics. A few areas of the site are under construction - One of Autograph ABP's stated initiatives is to license the images created during its events, exhibitions, and projects through its image bank. However, the new online image bank, slated to be released in autumn 2013, is not ready yet. Trying to click through to the archives gets the dreaded 404, file not found. These caveats aside, there's still an awful lot of good material to look at on Autograph ABP. <i>I. S.</i></p>

13	<p>Backwards in High Heels: Getting Women Elected, 1842-1990</p> <p>Incorporated as the capital of the Republic of Texas in 1839, Austin didn't elect its first female council woman until the middle of the 20th century. The first female legislators didn't find their way into office until the 1970s, and it wasn't until 1990 that Texas elected a female governor. This exhibit by Austin's Public Library tells the story of women in the city's politics through photographs, essays, and old newspaper clippings. Categories include Women's Work, Political Pioneers, and A Foot in the Door, among many others. Of particular interest, the biography of Ann Richards, the former governor of Texas, contextualizes her famous quote: "Ginger Rogers did everything that Fred Astaire did. She just did it backwards and in high heels." <i>I. S.</i></p>
14	<p>BirdWatching</p> <p>BirdWatchingDaily.com is the website of BirdWatching Magazine, but does such a good job of providing interactive features and repurposing magazine content that even subscribers will find additional things to like at the site. One example is Hotspots Near You, where beginner birders can find the best places to find birds near their homes. There are 10 choices under Getting Started, including What to do if you find a baby bird, Birdfeeding basics, Facts about birds, and Basics of bird-friendly yards. The Special features section re-prints page spreads from the magazine that can be read online or downloaded as a PDF. Armchair birdwatchers will enjoy the photo galleries, and anyone can submit photos for the Photo of the Week Contest. <i>I. S.</i></p>
15	<p>British Academy - National Academy for the Humanities and Social Sciences</p> <p>The British Academy for the Humanities and Social Sciences aims to be a fellowship of distinguished scholars, a funding body for the promotion of good ideas, and a voice of advocacy for the humanities and social sciences. The News section on the homepage is frequently updated and often interesting. About Us is another great place to start. Here, readers will find A Guide to the British Academy as well as Annual Reports to explore. Fascinating tidbits include the multimedia publication Prospering Wisely, which argues that 'prosperity' needs to be conceptualized in more than just financial terms. <i>I. S.</i></p>
16	<p>Brooklyn Revealed</p> <p>Brooklyn is the most populated borough in New York City, but it wasn't always so. Settled by a mix of Dutch and English colonists in the mid 1600s, what we now call Brooklyn was once divided into six independent towns. Gradually, the towns merged to form the city of Brooklyn, which was the third largest city in the United States until it became a borough of the Greater City of New York in 1898. To begin exploring this site, crafted by the New York Historical Society, click the Interactive Map. Drag your mouse over the original six towns of Bushwick, Brooklyn, Flatbush, Flatlands, Gravesend, and New Utrecht for brief histories of each, or click on the towns to view dozens of photographs and explanations from different periods of their development. Fascinating stories of how the streets of Brooklyn got their names can also be found here. <i>I.S.</i></p>

17	<p><u>Building and Fire Research Portal</u></p> <p>The National Institute of Science and Technology’s (NIST) building and fire research programs look to forecast the needs of the building and fire industries in the United States, and provide tools for innovative technologies. This web site is loaded with fresh ideas about net-zero energy high-performance buildings, construction productivity, sustainable infrastructure materials, fire protection, and disaster-resilient structures and communities. Read about Construction Integration, Cybernetic Building Systems, and Disaster and Failure Studies. Peruse the site by Instruments, Latest Publications, and News and Events. An especially interesting Related Link takes readers to the World Trade Center Disaster Investigation, a FEMA funded analysis of the building failures that contributed to the September 11, 2001 tragedy. <i>I. S.</i></p>
18	<p><u>Calisphere: Japanese American Relocation Digital Archives (JARDA)</u></p> <p>In the four years between 1942 and 1946, the United States government “evacuated” and interned more than 120,000 Japanese American citizens as part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s Executive Order 9066. The U.S. government has since admitted that there was little evidence for the disloyalty of the internees, and that the entire affair was based on “race prejudice, war hysteria, and a failure of political leadership” (100th Congress, S. 1009). This poignant online exhibit from the University of California chronicles the experience of the incarcerated men, women, and children. Click on People, Places, Daily Life, and Personal Experiences to view paintings and photographs or read primary texts and historical analyses of this most unfortunate government overreach. A variety of lesson plans aligned with California Content Standards are also available and include such topics as “Are We American Again?” and “Beauty Behind Barbed Wire.” <i>I. S.</i></p>
19	<p><u>Center for Transatlantic Relations</u></p> <p>The Center for Transatlantic Relations' (CTR) web site is a policy wonk's dream come true. Featuring everything from short articles to detailed and completely free policy manuals, the site offers depth and breadth on all things loosely related to the relationships among European and North American nations. For instance, have a look at the 160 page brief, "The Geopolitics of TTIP: Repositioning the Transatlantic Relationship in a Changing World," or read Elizabeth Pond's article on "Hybrid Politics" in the Ukraine. Wherever your explorations take you on the CTR's website, you can be sure the information will be well considered and up to date. <i>I. S.</i></p>

20	<p><u>Center for Science in the Public Interest</u></p> <p>For balance, read the American Council on Science and Health’s arch enemy, the Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI). As a consumer advocacy organization, CSPI also has clear goals. As such, the organization conducts original research and attempts to provide objective information on such topics as food, alcohol, health, and the environment. On the site, read through the News Releases and Action Alerts for updates on what CSPI is looking at and doing in the world of consumer health. Then have a look at the categories Nutrition, Food Safety, and More!, each with multiple topics. For instance, under Nutrition readers will find the Sugar Drinks section with information about the Excise Tax on Sugar in Soda and downloadable fact sheets on the risks of sugar in soft drinks. <i>I. S.</i></p>
21	<p><u>CERN: Celebrating 60 years of science for peace</u></p> <p>The European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN, as an acronym from the French), founded 60 years ago by Niels Bohr and other European visionaries, has revolutionized our understanding of the universe. With over 10,000 scientists from more than 100 countries working together to unravel the mysteries of dark matter, the early universe, and antimatter through the utilization of the world’s most advanced accelerators, decelerators, and detectors, CERN is an unprecedented experiment in scientific cooperation. After perusing the CERN Updates mentioned on the site’s homepage, click About CERN to watch a cleanly produced, three-minute educational video about the institute’s work. The History of CERN, an interactive graphic, can also be found here along with various activities with Accelerators, Experiments, Physics, Computing, and Engineering. <i>I. S.</i></p>
22	<p><u>Charles Dickens at 200</u></p> <p>The Christmas Carol, which Dickens wrote in the six weeks leading up to the Christmas of 1843, has continuously been in print ever since, spawning adaptations into the forms of plays, films, TV specials, mime performances, abstract performance art, and opera. This online exhibition, hosted by the Morgan Library & Museum in New York, features a leather bound manuscript of the author's first draft, presented to his friend and debtor, Thomas Mitton, just before it's publication. This excellent site allows viewers to visit half a dozen pages of the original document, replete with cross outs and scribbles, corrections and revisions. The accompanying essays cover topics such as Dickens at Work, which explains the sense of Dickens "writing at a fast pace, usually enacting second thoughts and changes of mind in the heat of original composition." <i>I. S.</i></p>

23	<p><u>Climate Change: Vital Signs of the Planet</u></p> <p>This is one of those websites that might just stop you dead in your tracks. First off, it's beautiful with incredible images of Antarctica, Everest, and smog-clouded cities. Then there are the figures: global temperature has increased 1.4 degrees Fahrenheit since 1980, Arctic ice has decreased by 13% per decade, and that's just the tip of the iceberg (so to speak). Check out News and Features for NASA's coverage of climate related science or browse the Earth Blog, a pithy, readable blog chock full of important facts on our changing planet. Then take a look at What is Climate Change? and scout its four sections: Evidence, Causes, Effects, and Solutions. <i>I. S.</i></p>
24	<p><u>Climate Science, Awareness and Solutions</u></p> <p>The Climate Science, Awareness and Solutions (CSAS) team at Columbia University has a specific, targeted goal: a near universal carbon fee on fossil fuels. The group's mission statement, under About Us, is a great place to start. Then explore Dr. James Hansen's TED talk, an eighteen minute argument for the political responsibilities of climate scientists as well as regular citizens. The section titled Our Work will take readers to five headings - Climate Research, Climate Data, Public Awareness and Policy Solutions, 350.org, Citizen's Climate Lobby, and Our Children's Trust - each of which links to timely and educational projects. Finally, the In the News section features videos and articles showcasing the work of Dr. Hansen and his fellow climate activists. <i>I. S.</i></p>
25	<p><u>Copland and the American Sound: Keeping Score</u></p> <p>Aaron Copland, born and raised in a small Jewish neighborhood in Brooklyn, worlds away from the sophistications of Carnegie Hall, helped define American music. His "vernacular" style, honed to perfection in the 1930s and 1940s with ballets like Appalachian Spring, Billy the Kid, and Rodeo, almost single-handedly reinvented American classical music and shaped such luminaries as Leonard Bernstein and John Cage. This PBS website provides a fascinating biography of the man as well as Michael Tilson Thomas's hour long episode of Keeping Score. Entitled "Copland and the American Sound," the episode is a great introduction to the "music that gave Americans a sense of identity." <i>I. S.</i></p>
26	<p><u>David Foster Wallace's The Pale King</u></p> <p>When David Foster Wallace died in September 2008, he left behind his wife, students, friends, thousands of grieving fans - and an unfinished novel he had been writing, on and off, for over a decade. "The Pale King," cobbled together from thousands of pages of notes and drafts by his longtime editor and published in early 2011, constituted readers' last look at a long book from Wallace. Now, thanks to the Harry Ransom Center at the University of Texas at Austin, you can have a look the "Author's Forward," which eventually became chapter nine in the book. Look through all six drafts of the chapter, from the handwritten scratchings of Wallace's notebook, to his typed final draft. The Editor's Note by Michael Pietsch, who eventually brought the book out in its completed form, is well worth the read. <i>I. S.</i></p>

27	<p>DC Cool</p> <p>When Forbes Magazine ranked Washington DC the coolest city in America back in August, the web exploded with commentary. A typical tweet: “What makes DC America’s coolest city? The soul crushing architecture that lines our streets or the hordes of zombies that walk them?” News outlets from the Wire to the Los Angeles Times balked. Even the Washington Post questioned the ranking. Still, DC has a lot to offer. And this hip little site, sponsored by the city, wants to tell you all about it. The Scene features links to Eat + Drink, See + Do, and other categories. Click any photo for a short vignette. For instance, a smiling panda links you to an interview with Nicole MacCorkle, the giant panda keeper at Smithsonian’s National Zoo. <i>I. S.</i></p>
28	<p>Design Other 90% Network</p> <p>Design Other 90% Network is the accompanying website to a series of themed exhibitions organized by the Smithsonian's Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum. In 2007, the first exhibition "focused on design solutions that addressed the most basic needs of the 90% of the world's population not traditionally served by professional designers." Then, in 2012 the next exhibition, Design Other 90% Network: Cities, was presented. The most active portion of the current website is the Themes area, featuring Access, Adapt, Exchange, Include, Prosper, and Reveal. Visitors can view solutions to urban design problems, such as the Katrina Furniture Project in New Orleans that created neighborhood furniture-making workshop facilities to help residents rebuild using recycled wood. There's also a Solutions tab to browse for more projects worldwide. Interested visitors can sign up for one of 236 discussion groups to participate in conversations on various topics. <i>I. S.</i></p>
29	<p>Digital Roman Forum</p> <p>Maps and panoramic and detailed views of a digital model of the Roman Forum as it appeared in late antiquity (June 21, 400 A.D). Also includes modern views of the sites, "documentation for the archaeological evidence and theories utilized to create the model" (such as texts from Ovid and Plutarch), and basic information about the individual features. From the Cultural Virtual Reality Laboratory (CVRLab), University of California, Los Angeles. <i>LII</i></p>
30	<p>Directory of Open Access Journals</p> <p>At the time of this writing, the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) indexes and provides access to 1,720,260 articles in 9,986 journals from 134 countries. Dozens of fields are represented here, covering ten broad areas, including Medicine, Health Sciences, Biology and Life Science, Social Sciences, and Technology and Engineering. Think about starting with Latest News, where DOAJ lists updates and interesting tidbits. The heart of the site, of course, is its Search function, where readers can search by Title, Keywords, Subject, and other categories, as well as by Journal Language, Country of Publication, and Publisher. Anyone looking for access to high-quality, peer-reviewed, freely available research will appreciate this innovative site. <i>I. S.</i></p>

31	<p data-bbox="289 210 584 241"><u>Dr. Seuss Went to War</u></p> <p data-bbox="381 247 1421 577">Dr. Seuss (Theodor Seuss Geisel, 1904-1991) was a life-long cartoonist: in high school in Springfield, Massachusetts; in college at Dartmouth (Class of 1925); as an adman in New York City before World War II; in his many children's books, beginning with <i>To Think That I Saw it on Mulberry Street</i> (1937). Because of the fame of his children's books (and because we often misunderstand these books) and because his political cartoons have remained largely unknown, we do not think of Dr. Seuss as a political cartoonist. But for two years, 1941-1943, he was the chief editorial cartoonist for the New York newspaper <i>PM</i> (1940-1948), and for that journal he drew over 400 editorial cartoons.</p> <p data-bbox="381 619 1421 808">The Dr. Seuss Collection in the Mandeville Special Collections Library at the University of California, San Diego, contains the original drawings and/or newspaper clippings of all of these cartoons. This website makes these cartoons available to all internet users. The cartoons have been scanned from the original newspaper clippings in the UCSD collection.</p> <p data-bbox="381 850 1421 1102">Dr. Seuss Goes to War by historian Richard H. Minear (The New Press, 1999) reproduced some two hundred of the <i>PM</i> cartoons. That means that two hundred of the cartoons available here have received no airing or study since their original appearance in <i>PM</i>. The cartoons Dr. Seuss published in other journals are even less known; there is no mention of them in <i>Dr. Seuss Goes to War</i>. Dr. Seuss also drew a set of war bonds "cartoons" which appeared in many newspapers as well as in <i>PM</i>. (<i>Website, introduction by Richard H. Minear</i>)</p>
32	<p data-bbox="289 1134 527 1165"><u>Economist's View</u></p> <p data-bbox="381 1171 1421 1501">If you're looking for a mountain of information, opinions, trends, and skirmishes on economics, this site is for you. Granted, it's not the most flashy site, but it showcases an incredible array of authors, from Nobel Prize winner Paul Krugman to Fed Chair Janet Yellin. Assembled by Mark Thoma, an economics professor at the University of Oregon, there is no end to the fascinating debates you can immerse yourself in on this site. Start with Recent Posts to read the last few days of articles and arguments. Check out topics such as Marginal Revolution, Calculated Risk, and the Big Picture. It's fun to explore wherever your mouse takes you in this wide-brained world of economics theory and practice. <i>I. S.</i></p>

33	<p>Education for the 21st Century: UNESCO</p> <p>The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) was founded in 1945 on the premise that, in addition to political and economic agreements, “peace must be established on the basis of humanity’s moral and intellectual solidarity.” UNESCO’s goals include advocating for quality education for every child on the planet, building intercultural understanding, pursuing scientific cooperation, and protecting freedom of expression. This site, which provides an overview of Education in the 21st Century, bursts with informative articles. Start with Latest News, where you can read up on initiatives, conferences, and progress reports. Take a look at the Publications list for access to full academic articles on the topic of 21st Century Education, including “BRICS: building education for the future; priorities for national development and international communication” and “Harnessing the potential of ICTs for literacy teaching and learning.” <i>I. S.</i></p>
34	<p>Everytown for Gun Safety</p> <p>Everytown is a movement of Americans working together to end gun violence and build safer communities. Gun violence touches every town in America. For too long, change has been thwarted by the Washington gun lobby and by leaders who refuse to take common-sense steps that will save lives.</p> <p>But something is changing. More than 2.5 million mayors, moms, cops, teachers, survivors, gun owners, and everyday Americans have come together to make their own communities safer. Together, we are fighting for the changes that we know will save lives.</p> <p>Everytown starts with you, and it starts in your town. <i>Website</i></p>
35	<p>explore</p> <p>explore, funded by the Annenberg Foundation, is one of those rare, heart lifting websites that could make you grateful all over again for the wonders of the internet. From Live Cams of the Cayman Reef to lots of pictures of puppies and kittens, explore seeks to present the details of life, small and large, with an artist’s eye toward beauty. Scout by Channels (e.g. 11 minute films, Darfur & Rwanda, Dog Bless You, and many others), Live Cams (such as African Watering Hole and Beluga Boat Cam-underwater), as well as Films and Photos. Also of interest, the excellent Blog is regularly updated. <i>I. S.</i></p>

36	<p>Explore the Constitution</p> <p>If you type the words “U.S. Constitution” into Google, the search engine returns about 31 million results. That’s a lot of talk about a document written by a handful of scholar-politicians in an upstart republic more than 227 years ago. Yet less than a quarter of Americans have actually read the document. This site, hosted by the National Constitution Center, includes the United States Constitution in its entirety, divided clearly by Article and Amendment, and annotated with notes by the Annenberg Classroom. Perhaps best of all, you can browse the site by Issue. For instance, click on Abortion and explore how the Row v. Wade Supreme Court ruling was based on Ninth and 14th Amendment rights. <i>I. S.</i></p>
37	<p>Faulkner Collection</p> <p>William Faulkner was born in 1897 in Oxford, Mississippi and toiled away in relative obscurity until unexpectedly winning the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1949. His novels henceforth earned him two Pulitzer prizes, and several of them are almost always listed on "best of" lists for 20th century literature. This University of Virginia site is a Faulker treasure trove. From the homepage, visitors can navigate to Contexts for an overview of Faulkner and his times. Next, the Browse section provides a list of Faulkner's recorded lectures and classes at UVA - a rare and wonderful peek at a man from another era. Readers can also search the site by Tapes & Transcripts and Rest of Archive. Selected clips, organized by the author's novels, are also available. <i>I. S.</i></p>
38	<p>Favorite Poem Project</p> <p>This impressive project, spearheaded by Robert Pinsky during his term as U.S. Poet Laureate in 1997, features 50 Americans, young and old, of diverse races and creeds, reading their favorite poem. Drawn from the 18,000 poetry lovers who wrote into the project, each video starts with a beautifully produced mini-documentary. During these five minute films, the subject talks about his or her life, about poetry, and then reads a favorite poem out loud. All told, the effect is extremely touching and powerful, as we get to look into the worlds of these 50 American poetry lovers, and hear from them their view of poetry and of America. It will also open up the world of poetry to readers, who may find a touching piece they never knew existed. <i>I. S.</i></p>

39	<p>Fun English Games for Kids - Free Teaching Resources Online</p> <p>Fun English Games, along with its sister sites Science Kids and Kids Math Games Online, is a source of free resources for use by teachers and students. Although the main audience is elementary school students, the games, activities, worksheets, quizzes, and videos provided on the site could easily be used by English learners of all ages. For example, in one short video students learn to talk about food: they learn how to express their likes and dislikes, how large a portion to ask for, and the differences between whole wheat and white bread. The Fun Stuff area has a list of English idioms (like "It's a piece of cake" and "Under the weather"), tongue twisters, and English language jokes. There are also fill-in-the blank quizzes and plenty of activities, such as classroom scrabble or "What will you bring on vacation?" While there are banner ads on the site, they are relatively easy to ignore and do not block content. <i>I. S</i></p>
40	<p>Future Climate Change</p> <p>With more than half of the current congress skeptical about climate change despite overwhelming scientific evidence for rising temperatures, sea levels, and severe weather patterns, it's nice to know that at least the Environmental Protection Agency still has a head on its shoulders. This website offers clear indications of how global warming will impact our food supply, water resources, infrastructure, ecosystems, and health. The hidden gem is a series of slideshows answering the question: How do climate models work? Readers can learn about models and scenarios, how they are tested, and how they diagnose the past and estimate the future. <i>I. S.</i></p>
41	<p>Gershwin Music</p> <p>The official Gershwin Music site provides some wonderful Gershwin memorabilia in a snappy, entertaining package. Born to Russian Jewish immigrants in 1890's Brooklyn, Ira and George Gershwin (nee Israel and Jacob Gershovitz) lived the quintessential American Dream, moving from poverty to riches and obscurity to renown. The homepage opens with a classic, rotating Gershwin tune and clicking on Menu will take you to the options bar. From there, navigate to Two Brothers Make History and Time Line for the Gershwin's story to read all about Ira and George. Shows, Films, and Songs highlights the full spectrum of the brothers' work together, complete with songs playable straight from the site. Eight issues of Words Without Music: The Ira Gershwin Newsletter are also available within the Resources section. This compilation is a real treat for those with an interest in music and theater. <i>I. S.</i></p>

42	<p>Global Consumption Database</p> <p>The World Bank designed this enormous database on economically developing countries for two groups: researchers seeking data to analyze and businesses looking to understand or expand their marketshare. For the rest of us, it's just fascinating reading. Start with the short article on the homepage, which explains that the roughly 4.5 billion low-income people in the world collectively spend about \$5 trillion a year - more than the middle and higher income segments combined. Then, explore the two Dashboards. The first feeds back information by country, the second by sector (Food and Beverages, Clothing and Footwear, Housing, etc.). For instance, Albania, with a total population of 2.8 million, saw a 7.6% dip in household spending in 2012, with the lowest segment forking over about \$60 million for Food and Beverages, while the higher segment spent \$265 million on the same category. <i>I. S.</i></p>
43	<p>Green Revolution: Curse or Blessing?</p> <p>It took almost 1,000 years for wheat yields to increase from 0.5 to 2 metric tons per hectare. In contrast, from 1940 to 1980 the yield for wheat increased from 2 metric tons to over 6 metric tons per hectare. These are big numbers, and they had a big effect on developing countries where large parts of the population were able to surplus food for the first time. Still, critics have argued that most of the benefits went to large, land-owning farmers and that the rural poor saw little benefit from the advances. This paper examines questions about the Green Revolution, as these agricultural advances have come to be called, and how they did and didn't benefit the world's poor. <i>I. S.</i></p>
44	<p>Happiness Research Institute</p> <p>For a more earnest look at happiness, check out the web site of the Happiness Research Institute, an independent think tank based in Copenhagen, Denmark. The fascinating articles here make large scale surveys and empirical projects sensical and relevant to anyone with an interest in well-being- for themselves, their communities, and their nation. From the homepage, click New Report to read about why Denmark is named among the happiest countries on earth, year after year. The Projects section highlights recent undertakings by the institute, including projects on Sustainable Happiness and reports on Happiness and work. While not all reports are available here, a number of them are ready for your consumption and can be read online or downloaded as a PDF. The Research section of the site may also be of interest as it covers "easily digestible" information on happiness from around the globe. <i>I. S.</i></p>

45	<p>Historical Photographs of China</p> <p>This project, a collaboration between the University of Bristol, University of Lincoln, the Institut d'Asie Orientale, and TGE-Adonis, “aims to locate, archive, and disseminate” the disparate photographs of modern China held in private collections around the world. This is a particularly compelling goal, as the bulk of the photographic archives of modern China were destroyed inside the country during the 1966-69 Cultural Revolution. Five extensive collections, including hundreds of portraits and landscapes from the National Archives Collection in London, are represented on the web site. Themes include Chinese Maritime Collections and the Shanghai Municipal Police. Each collection is accompanied by a helpful introduction and includes a title and date for each image. <i>I. S.</i></p>
46	<p>History is a Weapon</p> <p>If this is your first time at the site, it can look a little daunting. To help you navigate, we'll spell out how everything is organized so you can find what you need.</p> <p>This is an online Left reader focusing largely on American resistance history. The readings are organized in sections ("Chapters"). If you are struggling with a particular question, you can go that chapter. For example, if you want to know "Why are there so many people in prison?" you can go to "Chapter 3: The Long Chain". We'll include a good starter essay here for each.</p> <p>If you aren't dealing with a particular question, feel free to work your way through all the starter essays and head back to the issues that stirred you the most. <i>Website</i></p>
47	<p>History of Halloween</p> <p>In 2010, a farmer in Richmond, Minnesota grew a 1,800 pound pumpkin. Americans buy 35 million pounds of candy corn every year. And fully one third of adults and children in the U.S. put on a costume to celebrate our second most commercial holiday. This excellent site from the History Channel offers a host of facts and curiosities about Halloween, taking readers on a tour of past and present. Start with the article on the homepage that outlines the development of All Hallow's Eve from its origins in ancient Celtic festivals to its kid friendly formulation in the 1950s suburban United States. Then watch fascinating videos on Fear and the Brain, Candy Corn, Pumpkin Carving, and other topics. <i>I. S.</i></p>
48	<p>How Bounty Hunting Works</p> <p>This feature describes the job of bounty hunters (or bail enforcement agents), who are sometimes hired by bail bondsmen to track down people who have left town and missed their court appearance. Discusses the legality of bounty hunting, typical bounty hunting activities, and history. Includes links to related articles. From How Stuff Works. <i>LII</i></p>

49	<p><u>Human Rights Watch: Defending Human Rights Worldwide</u></p> <p>The Human Rights Watch (HRW) is an independent, international nongovernmental organization with offices in 21 cities around the world (and field posts in 20 additional countries). Founded in 1978, HRW seeks to enforce fair treatment of all citizens, regardless of country, through investigation and publication of abuses. Each year, the group puts out a comprehensive World Report, which can be downloaded from the web site free of charge. The 2014 report features updates on dozens of countries, as well as analyses of themes such as The Human Rights Case for Drug Reform. For an overview of this essential document, read the Keynote, delivered by Kenneth Roth. Links to Essays, Photos and Videos, and Publications take the reader deeper into the HRW's recent findings. <i>I. S.</i></p>
50	<p><u>Human Development Reports</u></p> <p>This fascinating interactive map from the United Nations Development Program provides Human Development Reports on over 200 countries around the world. Fancy a factoid? While the United States scores number five in its ability to promote human development, with a mean income of \$50,000 a year and a murder rate of less than 5 out of every 100,000 people, the prison population stands at a whopping 716 per 100,000. Compare that to Canada's homicide rate of 1.54 and incarceration rate of 118. Other interesting tidbits gleaned from this site reveal the mean years of schooling in Kazakhstan (10.37 years) and the life expectancy in Madagascar (64 years-old). There is a lot of great educational material here, including the HDialogue section that features timely articles on issues related to human development, such as "Trans-border Vulnerabilities" and "The case for investing in early childhood." <i>I. S.</i></p>
51	<p><u>Indiana Resource Center for Autism</u></p> <p>The Indiana Resource for Autism (IRCA) at Indiana University, Bloomington focuses on early detection and diagnosis of autism and autism related disorders by looking at a number of areas, such as early childhood and school interventions, community employment, and family support. There are many helpful Resources, from newsletters to blogs, and a variety of Supports, such as Resources to Support Siblings and Family Modules. This last support features four downloadable family-gearred modules that detail problem solving and program development techniques. The material is available free of charge and can be reproduced. Additionally, the Featured Projects/Articles/Events is great for timely tidbits. <i>I. S.</i></p>

52	<p>Intelligence and the Camp David Accords</p> <p>President Jimmy Carter presided over a host of difficult circumstances, including rising energy prices, stagflation, the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, and a botched attempt to rescue hostages in Iran. Still, the 39th president did much to advance human rights and work for peace. Perhaps his crowning achievement was the Camp David Accords, in which he brokered a truce between Egypt and Israel. This collection, fully available on the Central Intelligence Agency’s website, includes more than 250 previously classified documents written between 1977 and 1979 in support of President Carter’s diplomatic efforts. Select Press Release for details of the papers, or follow the link to the President Carter and the Role of Intelligence in the Camp David Accords interactive website. The entire set of papers can be downloaded by selecting View the Complete FOIA Document Collection. <i>I. S.</i></p>
53	<p>Interactives: Oceanus Magazine</p> <p>These educational interactives from the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution provide excellent supports for dozens of ocean-related classroom activities. From the effects of Fukushima's Fallout on Marine Life to Measuring River Chemistry, a variety of well designed, instructional tools are offered here. The visual and audio materials (slideshow, multi-step presentations, whale calls, etc.) are quite detailed and a number of them also link to the articles from Oceanus Magazine in which they were first featured. If these articles pique your interest, hundreds more can be found in the Archives as well as a select number of Digital Editions in the Print Issues section. <i>I. S.</i></p>
54	<p>James Joyce Centre</p> <p>William Faulkner, surely one of America’s greatest novelists, once called James Joyce “a genius who was electrocuted by the divine fire.” Anyone who has wrestled with Joyce’s masterpiece Ulysses or, heaven help you, Finnegans Wake, would be hard pressed to disagree. Though a number of the resources listed on this site from the James Joyce Centre are local to Dublin, there are neat little tidbits for the rest of us. About Joyce, for instance, features a nippy biography of the great man. The Blog, frequently updated and always insightful, features commentary on some of Joyce’s most famous - and difficult - work. Also of interest is the site’s serializing of Robert Berry’s graphic novel adaptation of the 1922 edition of Ulysses, complete with a Reader’s Guide. <i>I. S.</i></p>

55	<p>Jefferson's Library</p> <p>Few people have impacted the history of the United States as significantly as Thomas Jefferson. As this Library of Congress exhibition notes, the third president was a "founding father, farmer, architect, inventor, slaveholder, book collector, scholar, [and] diplomat." Explore Jefferson through his papers, letters, and book collections on this well-executed web site. After perusing the home page, read the Overview, which explicates the exhibition. Then have a look at the list of Exhibition Items before exploring the sections on Monticello, Virginia Republic, Declaration of Independence, Federal Republic, The West, Revolutionary World, Legacy, and Jefferson's Library. Each section is replete with broad explanations and original documents for the viewer to enjoy. <i>I. S.</i></p>
56	<p>Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory</p> <p>The Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory at Columbia University is a research and education cooperative of some 120 PhD level researchers and several dozen graduate students, all dedicated to uncovering the origin, evolution, and future of the natural world. The organization operates its own federally funded research ship, and studies everything from polar science to atmospheric processes. From the homepage, click Research to access the troves of information available. From there, access the Video Channel Pages (Earth Science Colloquium Series, Public Lecture Series, and others) or browse the site by category (Climate/Paleoclimate, Oceanography, etc.). All projects can also be searched by keywords, title, and people. <i>I. S.</i></p>
57	<p>Lick Observatory, Mount Hamilton</p> <p>The Lick Observatory, which was constructed just outside San Jose, California from the \$700,000 bequest of James Lick in 1888, was the world's first permanently occupied mountain-top observatory. Over its long and illustrious history, the telescopes at Lick have discovered several of Jupiter's moons, a Near-Earth Astroid, and many extrasolar planets. Information of General Interest offers readers over a dozen categories, such as Telescopes & Instruments, Lick Picture Gallery, and Lick History. Clicking Information for Observers opens access to categories such as Weather, Telescopes, and many others. Of special interest, viewers can also look through the Mt. Hamilton Web Camera, which updates every three minutes. <i>I. S.</i></p>
58	<p>Ling long Women's Magazine</p> <p>Published in Shanghai from 1931 to 1937, Ling long women's magazine gives researchers and China enthusiasts a welcome glimpse into the lives of women in Republican China at a time of great social and political upheaval. This site, hosted by Columbia University's C.V. Starr East Asian Library, features dozens of issues of the magazine that can be searched by year, issue, and page. Readers can also browse About the Collection for information about how the holdings were curated, tips on how to understand the periodical and its context, and an overview of funding, printing, and other interesting facts. <i>I. S.</i></p>

59	<p>Materials for Teachers: Academy of American Poets</p> <p>The Academy of American Poets has been providing resources to teachers since it launched its website almost twenty years ago. The site includes essays about teaching poetry, links to other great poetry sites, and curriculum units and lesson plans for teaching poetry in elementary school, high school, and at the university level. The 38 lesson plans are a great place to start and range from missives on "Guerrilla Poetry" to "Word Karaoke." Much can also be gleaned from the section on teaching poetry. Here, readers will find interesting essays that include Ron Padgett's "Gimmicks" and Laynie Brown's "On the Elasticity of the Sonnet and the Usefulness of Collective Experimentation." Lovers of verse can even browse poems & poets and sign up for the poem-a-day service. <i>I. S.</i></p>
60	<p>Musee d'Art Classique de Mougins</p> <p>This small-town museum in the south of France specializes in ancient art (including one of the world's largest private collections of arms and armor) but with an eye to relate the ancient to the modern. Works by Picasso, Matisse, Chagall, Dufy, Cezanne, Rodin, Dali, Andy Warhol, Marc Quinn, Antony Gormley, and Damien Hirst are interspersed with the antiquities. Alas, the show of chocolate sculptures, which included works in chocolate inspired by classical marbles, Egyptian sarcophagi, and Roman armor has closed, but there is still a lot to see at Mougins. Choose any of the collection galleries to see selections: Egypt; Greece & Rome; Classical Art; Armory; Greek and Roman coins. The modern stuff is lurking in Classical Art, including a terra cotta vase by Keith Haring, inspired by Greek redware, or Andy Warhol's print, Birth of Venus, both created in the 1980s. <i>I. S.</i></p>
61	<p>Mysteries and Science: Exploring Aliens, Ghosts, Monsters, the end of the world, and other weird things</p> <p>This site for kids is set up to explore the intersection of mysteries and science. The list of topics, which proceeds alphabetically, touches on abracadabra, area 51, control groups, monsters, superstition, scientific skepticism, vampire, and many others. An article on therapeutic touch offers the story of Emily Rosa, a nine-year-old who conceived an experiment to find out if energy healers could feel energy in a controlled setting. The site also links to fascinating "Sciency Websites," such as Kitchen Science Experiments and Do We Use Only 10% of Our Brain? (For the record, the answer is no, neuroscience has never made the claim that we use only 10% of our brains.) <i>I. S.</i></p>
62	<p>National Science Foundation: Discoveries</p> <p>This site from the National Science Foundation (NSF) features the discoveries and advances of researchers who have put their NSF funding to good use. Start by reading the article feed that updates several times a week with profiles about investigators and their projects. Or browse by Research Area - Arctic & Antarctic, Astronomy & Space, Biology, and almost a dozen others - for more targeted searches of the Discoveries database. Readers can also Search Discoveries if there is a particular topic or researchers they would like to explore. <i>I. S.</i></p>

63	<p>National Crash Analysis Center</p> <p>According to the National Highway and Traffic Administration, about 3.5 million people have died in traffic accidents since 1899. Even with a steady decline of traffic fatalities, just over 30 thousand people still die on the roads every year, and millions more are injured. That's where the National Crash Analysis Center (NCAC) comes in. On the site, readers can explore Vehicle Safety and Biomechanics, Highway Safety and Infrastructure, and Simulation and Advanced Computing. Readers should also be sure to check out the reports of cars the NCAC has tested. To get there, select 2012 Toyota Camry Model Posted under Recent Highlights on the main page. Scroll down to view reports on everything from the Geo Metro to the Chevrolet S10 Pickup, complete with graphs, charts, descriptions, and photographs of the crashes and analyses. <i>I. S.</i></p>
64	<p>New-York Historical Society, Photographs of New York City and Beyond</p> <p>The New York Historical Society is home to some of the most fascinating and extensive archives of photographs of the Boroughs and their surroundings on the web. Starting with street scenes, portraits, and landscapes from the late 1830's, documentary images progress throughout the decades and culminate with the end of World War II. Scroll through the photographs on the landing page for some favorite images. Then click View the Collection. From there, you can continue to scroll hundreds of pictures, or use the excellent search function to narrow your options. However you choose to scout the site, these images provide insight into the ever-changing landscapes of New York City and the surrounding areas. <i>I. S.</i></p>
65	<p>Open WB India</p> <p>Brought to you by the World Bank's Country Partnership Strategy for India, this beautifully designed and informative website provides interactive data on three areas of engagement (Inclusion, Transformation, and Integration) and their intricately complex systems of outcomes and indicators. Students and teachers engaged in the study of contemporary India, development studies, or economics will find much on this site about the World Bank's projects, activities, and offered solutions for development efforts in India. Whether readers agree with the approaches outlined here or are more skeptical, there is much to appreciate in the dynamic nature and elegant design of the website. <i>I. S.</i></p>

66	<p>Paleo Art</p> <p>This highly educational site from the department of paleontology at the National Museum of Natural History not only showcases beautiful examples of drawings and paintings of all things paleo, but it also includes wonderful explanations of the history and process of the art itself. As the site explains, paleontological art has been a key tool for dissemination of the institution's findings since its inception in 1846. On the site, select Historical Art to view a variety of drawings and paintings from the 19th and early 20th centuries. A short, informative essay accompanies each work. Also have a look at Illustration Care and Illustration Techniques for pages of explanations about how the drawings are done, and then how they are cared for over time. <i>I. S.</i></p>
67	<p>Paleobiology</p> <p>The Smithsonian National Museum of History's paleobiology department is celebrating 50 years as one of the world's top resources for information about the biological and environmental history of Earth. From the homepage, where historical photographs of Smithsonian researchers grace the screen, click Blog & News, where you can read about recently arrived dinosaur bones and newly discovered fossils. Features opens up a number of different specialized web sites, such as FossiLab, Geologic Time, and Blast from the Past! The paleobiology Collections section of the site brings readers to renowned collections such as The Cushman Collection and The Springer Collection. <i>I. S.</i></p>
68	<p>Paris Review - The Art of Fiction No. 78, James Baldwin</p> <p>Born in Harlem in 1924, James Baldwin moved to France in the late 1950s because he didn't want to be read as "merely a Negro; or, even, merely a Negro writer." He lived the rest of his life in Paris and the French Riviera, publishing fiction and essays that deeply influenced American literature from afar. This interview with Baldwin, published in the Paris Review a few years before the author's death, touches on such topics as his choice to permanently leave the United States for Europe, his writing process, and his thoughts on race and racial justice. It's a rare gift to find a freely available window into this revered writer's thoughts and feelings in his later years. <i>I. S.</i></p>

69	<p><u>Pictures of Nursing - NLM Exhibition Program</u></p> <p>Pictures of Nursing is a beautifully curated and fascinating online exhibit from the U.S. National Library of Medicine. The homepage offers a great overview of the collection, highlighting about a dozen postcards of nurses and nursing from various historical periods and locations around the world. The Exhibition area provides an introduction to the collection of 2,588 postcards, as well as sections on Picturing Nursing as a Career, The Art of Nursing, and others. Teachers will especially want to explore the Education resources that include Lesson Plans and Online Activities. This last section features a great collection of Florence Nightingale Letters from 1845-1878 that shouldn't be missed. Additionally, the Digital Gallery's Explore feature lets students, teachers, and the general public examine 20+ postcards in close detail. Engaging questions and answers about the various elements of the postcard makes this section of the site informative as well as fun. <i>I. S.</i></p>
70	<p><u>Polarized We Govern?</u></p> <p>As Joe Manchin, the Democratic Senator from West Virginia, so aptly stated in early 2013, "Something has gone terribly wrong when the biggest threat to our American economy is the American Congress." In fact, it is not hyperbole to wonder if the 112th Congress is the most dysfunctional Congress in history. The question Sarah Binder takes on in this report for the Brookings Institution is: How stable is the dysfunction? In the end, will things ever get moving again? The 23-page report is available in pdf form on the Brookings website. <i>I. S.</i></p>
71	<p><u>Rolling Stone: The Immortals: 100 Greatest Artists</u></p> <p>In 2004 — 50 years after Elvis Presley walked into Sun Studios and cut "That's All Right" — Rolling Stone celebrated rock & roll's first half-century in grand style, assembling a panel of 55 top musicians, writers and industry executives (everyone from Keith Richards to Questlove of the Roots) and asking them to pick the most influential artists of the rock & roll era. The resulting list of 100 artists, published in two issues of Rolling Stone in 2004 and 2005, and updated in 2011, is a broad survey of rock history, spanning Sixties heroes (the Beatles) and modern insurgents (Eminem), and touching on early pioneers (Chuck Berry) and the bluesmen who made it all possible (Howlin' Wolf). <i>Website</i></p>
72	<p><u>Rubin Museum of Art: Art of the Himalayas</u></p> <p>The Rubin Museum of Art is one of those special gems in the American art landscape. Donald and Shelley Rubin purchased the 25,000 square foot space on West 17th Street in Manhattan in 1998 and spent the next six years in painstaking renovations. Today, the museum displays more than 1,000 Himalayan art objects, including sculptures, paintings, textiles, and ritual objects spanning 18 centuries of Tibetan, Chinese, Indian, Nepalese, Mongolian, and Bhutanese art. From the homepage, viewers can start by looking over the upcoming Events, then move onto current Exhibitions. This last section is a great find for teachers and educators, as many of the exhibitions include some form of interactive activity or virtual exploration through the vivid and colorful displays at the museum. <i>I. S.</i></p>

73	<p>The Committee for Skeptical Inquiry</p> <p>Wondering whether GMOs could actually impact your health? Looking for coverage of the debate between creationists and evolutionists? Check out this site from The Committee for Skeptical Inquiry (CSI), whose mission is to “promote scientific inquiry, critical investigation, and the use of reason in examining controversial and extraordinary claims.” Start with the Latest Articles & News, which are drawn from the committee’s own magazine and feature such topics as Scientific Methodology and its Religious Parallels and The Lure of Mysterious Paintings. The list of Resources is especially bountiful, with links to skeptical thinkers around the web. <i>I. S.</i></p>
74	<p>The Purdue OWL: Conducting Research</p> <p>Good research and good writing go hand in hand. This site from the Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL) introduces students to the principles of conducting good research. The clear and helpful information on the site is divided into six digestible categories: Research Overview, Conducting Primary Research, Evaluating Sources of Information, Searching the World Wide Web, Internet References, and Archival Research. Within each of these categories are numerous informative subcategories, such as Research Ethics and Searching with a Search Engine. This last area is a great tool for students learning how to conduct better searches, including information on Boolean operators. <i>I. S.</i></p>
75	<p>The Encyclopedia of Earth: Biodiversity</p> <p>The Encyclopedia of Earth, a project by the National Council for Science and the Environment, was launched in 2006 as a “free, fully searchable online resource on the Earth, its natural environments, and their interaction with society.” Over 1,400 scholars from around the world have contributed to the site to make it one of the most reliable sources for environmental and policy information on the web. This link to the Biodiversity section of the Encyclopedia opens a small universe of insights into the diversity of life on our planet. Featured Articles are forefront on the site, with topics such as Coral Reefs, Crustacea, or Habitat Fragmentation. Each category opens to dozens of loosely related articles. The Recently Updated section is another great place to start for those daunted by the variety of conceivable subjects related to biodiversity. <i>I. S.</i></p>
76	<p>The FREE Initiative</p> <p>The FREE (Far-Right Extremism in Europe) Initiative is a pan-European resource that offers practical guidance on countering far-right extremism across the continent. This truly exceptional web site features five basic categories: The Problem, Take Action, Films, About, and Contact. Start with The Problem, where you can view a number of interactive graphics, including the Country Resources map, which allows you to click a European country and find out the details of how far-right extremism is playing out in that nation. Take Action links to over half a dozen How To Guides, as well as links to What’s Being Done and Getting it Right. The Films section features a number of short, well-produced films on the topic. <i>I. S.</i></p>

77	<p>The Official Site of Richard Feynman</p> <p>The video on the homepage of the Official Site of Richard Feynman is reason enough to visit. It features Feynman, the theoretical physicist, Nobel Prize winner, and best selling author, lecturing to a group of undergraduates on the topic of scientific and unscientific understandings of nature. The talk is wildly entertaining, vivacious, and intellectually clear; viewers are left with a vivid sense of who this man was and why he so deeply impacted the popular imagination. A detailed About section provides information on Feynman and his work, as well as quotes and a small photo gallery. The Notable Works section lists his writings for scientific and popular audiences, though, sadly, none of them are available on the site. <i>I. S.</i></p>
78	<p>The Panda's Thumb</p> <p>Named for Stephen Jay Gould's groundbreaking work of popular science essays, The Panda's Thumb is a haphazard, helter-skelter, mash up of opinions, refutations, and arguments - all aimed loosely at the anti-evolution movement. If you're a proponent of Creation, perhaps steer clear. But if you like a good intellectual fisticuffs, and you're a lover of Darwin, you might spend hours happily scrolling through the decade's worth of blog posts gathered on this site. A typical entry? Everything from sightings of rare bird species to refutations of William Demski's recent talk on Intelligent Design at the University of Chicago. <i>I. S.</i></p>
79	<p>The Manhattan Project: An Interactive History</p> <p>Although the US Department of Energy (DOE) in its current form was created in 1977 with the passage of the Energy Organization Act, the DOE traces its origins to the World War II era Manhattan Project. This history allows for one of the richest collections of resources on war time efforts to build the first atomic bomb, showcased here on the Manhattan Project: An Interactive History website. There are five main topical areas: Events, People, Places, Processes, and Science. The site is being built in stages; currently Events and Resources are the most developed. When complete, the site will include over 250 pages and 500+ images. Under Events, readers can browse a chronological listing of milestones in atomic science dating from the 1890s to the present. Highlighted Resources include a photo gallery, a library with both digital government documents and a bibliography of additional sources, and the site map indicating the proposed outline of the finished site. The photo gallery includes a wide variety of images, everything from portraits of notables like Robert J. Oppenheimer and Albert Einstein to a dance party in December 1945 where square dancers from the Labs and Native American dancers from the Pueblo watched each other strut their stuff. <i>I. S.</i></p>

80	<p>The Stanford Prison Experiment</p> <p>Before the Institutional Review Boards imposed the most basic ethical constraints on psychologists, there was the Stanford Prison Experiment, one of the most famous - and controversial - social psychology experiments in history. In this experiment, Philip Zimbardo, a young professor at Stanford University, randomly selected students to be either "guards" or "prisoners." What unfolded shocked the academy. Find out about this classic example of how circumstances shape human behavior. Simply click "Take the Slide Show to Begin," then follow the narrative through text and videos as the story proceeds through Prelude, Setting Up, Arrival, Guards, Rebellion, Grievances, Escape, and Conclusion. <i>I. S.</i></p>
81	<p>The Official Site for Alice Walker</p> <p>Alice Walker, who has won the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award, is one of America's best known and well loved writers. Since publishing her first book of poems in the late 1960s, she has been churning out books of essays, novels, short stories, and poetry at a prodigious clip. Productivity, however, is not her real calling card; what Walker is known for, above all, is her compassion and clarity. This official site contains dozens of Walker's recent blog posts on a wide range of literary, artistic, and social issues, from her thoughts on books and paintings to her fierce musings on the state of the Palestine/Israel conflict. The About section provides a great biography of Walker and her work. Additionally, Books and New Books allows viewers to browse her ample collection of literary achievements. <i>I. S.</i></p>
82	<p>The Jigsaw Classroom: A Cooperative Learning Technique</p> <p>The Jigsaw Classroom, developed by University of California-Santa Cruz professor Elliot Aronson, and tested repeatedly over the past three decades, seeks to decrease racial conflict among students and simultaneously promote better learning. How? Put simply, students are split into small groups. Each student in the group researches a particular aspect of a topic, then students come together and present their research to one another. The effect is that each member of the group is dependent on the others and must listen carefully in order to learn the material. Explore the website by category to learn more about this approach. Categories include Overview of the Technique, History of the Jigsaw Classroom, Jigsaw in 10 Easy Steps, Tips on Implementation, Books and Articles, and others. <i>I. S.</i></p>

83	<p>The Arts at MIT</p> <p>With an undergraduate acceptance rate just shy of eight percent, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) is one of the most competitive universities in the world. Admitted students, in fact, have a real knack for achieving perfect scores on the math sections of the SAT. So when MIT comes to mind, most people don't tend to think about experimental theater or origami. Enter this website: Arts at MIT. Here visitors can learn all about the well-funded dialogue between art and science at the university. The homepage features many great headings including Events+Visit, Artists, and Opportunities. From there, click Welcome and then Overview to read about art at MIT, as well as the particulars of what the Center for Art, Science & Technology (CAST) has to offer. Highlighted features can be filtered by Students, Faculty, Alumni, or Public. <i>I. S.</i></p>
84	<p>The Blair Years: 1997-2007</p> <p>Collection of stories and background material about Tony Blair, who in May 2007 announced his resignation as the British prime minister. Features news stories, reactions to Blair's departure and other opinion pieces, a timeline, statistics, photos, video clips, material about Cherie Blair, and more. From BBC News.</p>
85	<p>The Long Term Ecological Research Network (LTER)</p> <p>Established in 1980 and funded primarily by the National Science Foundation (NSF), The Long Term Ecological Research Network (LTER) is committed to providing "scientific expertise, research platforms, and long-term datasets necessary to document and analyze environmental change." The site is arranged for four broad types of users: Researchers, Educators & Students, Media Professionals, and Decision Makers. Information for researchers includes a link to the LTER data portal (a separate site, https://portal.lternet.edu/nis/home.jsp) and instructions on how to write a data plan for an NSF grant. Similarly, the Educators & Students area links to the LTER Education Digital Library, also a separate site (http://educationlibrary.lternet.edu/), with a searchable collection of lesson plans. "Analyzing the Data: It's time to tell the story about Buds, Leaves and Global Warming" is a wonderful 2-class period project for students in grades 6-8 or 9-12 to measure how the timing of fall's colored leaves is changing. Press releases make up the majority of the Media Professionals section, while the area for decision makers is populated with LTER Key Research Findings. These are presented as short reports with citations and are designed to be easily built into the talking points of a public presentation. <i>I. S.</i></p>

86	<p>The May Anti-Slavery Collection</p> <p>In 1870, White was instrumental in bringing an extensive collection of slavery and abolitionist materials gathered by his close friend, Reverend Samuel Joseph May, to the Cornell Library. Numbering over 10,000 titles, May's pamphlets and leaflets document the anti-slavery struggle at the local, regional, and national levels. Much of the May Anti-Slavery Collection was considered ephemeral or fugitive, and today many of these pamphlets are scarce. Sermons, position papers, offprints, local Anti-Slavery Society newsletters, poetry anthologies, freedmen's testimonies, broadsides, and Anti-Slavery Fair keepsakes all document the social and political implications of the abolitionist movement. <i>Website</i></p>
87	<p>The Collections - Dar al-Athar al-Islamiyyah</p> <p>Regarded by experts as one of a handful of the most comprehensive collections of Islamic art in the world, the al-Sabah holdings in Kuwait feature 20,000 objects from geographically and chronologically diverse locations. Nine categories - Metals, Ceramics, Glass, Ivory & Wood, Jewelry & Hardstone, Numismatics, Rugs & Textiles, Manuscripts & Calligraphy, and Stone & Stucco - can be accessed from the collections page with the click of a mouse. Within each category, short essays contextualize the beautiful photographs of ancient, medieval, and modern Islamic art in a wide variety of mediums and styles. <i>I. S.</i></p>
88	<p>The Streetcorner Society</p> <p>Welcome. These pages explore the common history of groups such as quakers, diggers, rainbow family, christians, taoists, civil libertarians, democrats, republicans, and other divers radicals. We may travel in different circles, and our ordinary interests and concerns may vary, but remember: We move together in the same spirit.</p> <p>This site is dedicated to the memory of John Lilburne (1614-1657). <i>Website</i></p>
89	<p>The Immanent Frame</p> <p>This complex and deep-thinking blog specializes in illuminating essays penned by revered figures in the fields of philosophy, religion, and the public sphere. Scout the site by Essays & Exchanges, where you can read conversations on topics that run the gamut from religious freedom to the niqab debate in Quebec. In addition, Here & There presents short, clear snapshots of big ideas happening around the web, while The Book Blog takes a look at big-thinking books, such as Rethinking Secularism. Perhaps the most scintillating section of this site, is the Off the Cuff section, where editors pose a question and then invite scholars from around the world to comment. <i>I. S.</i></p>

90	<p>The Freedom Archive:</p> <p>The Freedom Archives contains over 10,000 hours of audio and video tapes which date from the late-1960s to the mid-90s and chronicle the progressive history of the Bay Area, the United States, and international movements. We are also in the process of scanning and uploading thousands of historical documents which enrich our media holdings. Our collections include weekly news, poetry, music programs; in-depth interviews and reports on social and cultural issues; numerous voices from behind prison walls; diverse activists; and pamphlets, journals and other materials from many radical organizations and movements. <i>Website</i></p>
91	<p>The Writer: Advice and Inspiration for today's writer</p> <p>The Writer is not only the oldest continuously published magazine for authors in the country, it is also one of the oldest continuously published magazines in America, period. First established in April 1887, the periodical has seen the comings and goings of editors and staff, slogans and themes. It has won the Folio magazine Editorial Excellence Award nine times. Although full content is only available to subscribers, there is plenty on the web page for the rest of us. From the homepage, click on Articles. From there, browse by Fiction, Nonfiction, Poetry, Freelance Writing, and half a dozen other freely accessible topics. There are also loads of Writing Resources and Writing Prompts that are free, open, and available to any writer. <i>I. S.</i> cf, http://tinyurl.com/pcnvd2g 1892 volume</p>
92	<p>UM Clark Library Maps</p> <p>Amateur cartographers will spin cartwheels over this map collection, held at the Stephen S. Clark Library at the University of Michigan. Featuring 162 maps from the 17th century onward, the collection is completely public domain and browsable by all. Start anywhere - an 1849 mining map of Keweemaw Point in Michigan, or "A new and correct map of the world," drawn by Herman Moll in 1732. The zoom function is a great aspect, as one might explore a map of the entire world, drawn perhaps in the 1600s, before narrowing in to the artist's representation of the coast of Florida. These maps can provide hours of edifying fun. <i>I. S.</i></p>
93	<p>UNAIDS</p> <p>This site from UNAIDS is chock full of resources and information. Click Highlights or Media to learn about the organization's goal to end the AIDS epidemic internationally by 2030. Navigate to Campaigns for a variety of press releases, fact sheets, slides, and methodology documents. Perhaps the most informative page opens from the AIDS Info link, which readers can find under Data Tools. This edifying interactive shows how the treatment of AIDS is progressing from country to country over six continents. View the globe as a whole or click on individual nations to explore most targeted profiles. <i>I. S.</i></p>

94	<p><u>Urbanology: BMW Guggenheim Lab</u></p> <p>This fascinating web site tracks the activities of the BMW Guggenheim Lab, which describes itself as "part urban think tank, part community center and public gathering space." From 2011 to 2014, the Lab travelled to New York, Berlin, and Mumbai to explore how people relate to their cities. What is the Lab? offers a great overview of the Theme, People, and Architecture behind this mobile laboratory and Where is the Lab? provides location-specific glimpses at what the group has found. Perhaps most informative is the Multimedia section of What's Happening? Here, readers will find over 200 informative videos and slideshows, including a lecture by Columbia University Sociologist, Saskia Sassen, on Talking back to your Intelligent City. This lecture is just one of the many fascinating finds buried in the depths of this chic web site. Also, don't forget to play Urbanology Online (on the homepage) and create your future city. <i>I. S.</i></p>
95	<p><u>Warren G. Harding - Carrie Fulton Phillips Correspondence</u></p> <p>As the 29th president of the United States, Warren G. Harding signed the first child welfare program into law, supported the 8-hour day in response to striking railroad workers, and prepared the first federal budget. Still, most historians regard Harding's presidency as a flop. Who was this early 20th century politician? These letters, representing a fourteen-year correspondence between Harding and his married lover, Carrie Fulton Phillips, shed new light on this question. Start with the excellent Overview, which explains the court order that kept these documents from public view for over fifty years. Then take a look at the Collection Items, where the letters have been individually scanned. Lastly, Articles and Essays contains timelines for Harding, Phillips, and their relationship. <i>I. S.</i></p>
96	<p><u>WHO: Global Health Observatory: Mental Health</u></p> <p>While more than 800,000 people die from suicide globally each year, the median amount of the health budget allocated to mental health in 2011 was 2.8%. In Afghanistan, six out of every 100,000 men committed suicide. In the United States, that number was 19. These and other data can be gleaned from the age-standardized suicide rates interactive graph on the World Health Organization's Global Health Observatory website dedicated to issues of Mental Health. Additionally, the page provides links to reports on Policy and financing of mental health, Human resources (in terms of the number of psychiatrists available per 100,000 people in a given country), and Mental health care delivery. <i>I. S.</i></p>

97	<p>Wisconsin Gazetteer</p> <p>With a population of 7,991 as of July 1, 2014, Ashland, Wisconsin holds the current title for 104th most populous incorporated town/city in the great state of Wisconsin, putting it at the 46th percentile in terms of population density. However, the median Household Income is sluggish at #673, and the town's numbers have been steadily declining. Curious to know more about hundreds of towns and dozens of counties of Wisconsin? The Wisconsin Gazetteer website can fill you in. Viewers can search the site by town or by county. Other features include Wisconsin Civil Features, Wisconsin Census Data, and Wisconsin Historic Data. Fair warning: there are ads sprinkled throughout (e.g. Wisconsin Land for Sale, adds for the University of Phoenix, etc.), but they are mostly unobtrusive. <i>I. S.</i></p>
98	<p>Wolfram Alpha: Computational Knowledge Engine</p> <p>Previously covered by the Scout Report in 2009, Wolfram Alpha, “the computational knowledge engine” is more astonishing than ever. The interface is deceptively simple. Just type what you want to know into the text field. For instance, “How many Buddhists are there?” returns not only the number of Buddhists worldwide (369 million); it also breaks the numbers down by country and provides a colorful world map. Another example: “health care Germany vs U.S.” returns a range of facts, figures, and graphs, including the amount each nation spends per person on health (\$3,577 vs. \$7,274). These are just the shallowest examples of what Wolfram Alpha can do, so its worth exploring with your specific needs in mind. <i>I. S.</i></p>
99	<p>WorldWide Telescope</p> <p>WorldWide Telescope (WWT) is your ticket to the skies. From the comfort of a PC, WWT allows access to data from the world’s best ground- and space- based telescopes, blending terabytes of images and stories into a “seamless, immersive, rich media experience.” While much of the material is available on the site, the entire Windows application can also be downloaded for free. Teachers will appreciate Educator Resources (from the home page click Educators, and then WWT Ambassadors), where they can link to Getting Started in the Classroom, Classroom Resources, and WWT Tours with Lesson Plans. All readers will enjoy the boundless opportunities to tour distant galaxies, examine star explosions, and generally gawk at the majesty of the distant universe. <i>I. S.</i></p>
100	<p>WTC Disaster Study</p> <p>On the morning of September 11, 2001 two commercial airlines were steered into the North and South Towers of the World Trade Center in a coordinated terrorist attack. Within two hours, both towers collapsed. They fell straight down, in a matter of 15 to 20 seconds, sparking a wave of speculation by conspiracy theorists, who were convinced the buildings must have been systematically bombed. Not so, according to this extraordinarily thorough report by the National Institute of Standards and Technology, which set out to determine exactly why and how WTC 1, WTC 2, and WTC 7 collapsed. Readers may want to start with the Overview, before moving on to About, which outlines the study and presents a copious “Summary of Findings.”</p>