

## Special Features

**Tabs:** Results are organized by types of sources and documents:

### Search Sidebar

**Fine tune your search** results by entering a word or phrase in the input box , check the "within these results" box, and then click the "Go" button.

Use the "Narrow Results By" drop-down box to retrieve only certain types of results or within a certain category.

Modify your search by selecting one of the related subjects listed.

### Tools Box

The features in the Tools Box will help you manage the document you are viewing. Please note that when you select a translation of the document, it is not a professional translation but an approximate translation.

**Mark Items** will save search results until the session ends.

**Bookmark** is used to save search results after the session is over.

## Research Literary Topics and Authors

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## What is Literature Resource Center (LRC)?

LRC provides information on **U.S. and world literary figures** and **literary works from all time periods and genres** through biographies, bibliographies, critical analyses and work overviews.

Articles cover **more than 130,000 poets, novelists, essayists, journalists, and other writers** and explain the historical and social contexts of literary works and movements.

The database offers **online versions** of the Gale publications: *Contemporary Authors*, *Contemporary Literary Criticism Select*, and the *Dictionary of Literary Biography*.

LRC also includes excerpted and full-text material from **Gale's *Literature Criticism*** and *For Students* series. Some of the titles in these series are: *Children's Literature Review*, *Classical and Medieval Literature Criticism*, *Literature and Its Times*, *Novels for Students*, *Shakespeare for Students*, *Short Story Criticism*, and *Twentieth Century Literary Criticism*.

In addition to reference books and journal articles, LRC also has selected links to authoritative websites, and has **full texts of approximately 25,000 contemporary poems, short stories and plays**.

### Basic Search

**Keywords** is the default search option.

**All Text** searches the entire text of the document for a specific line of text or an unusual phrase.

**Person – By or About** searches the names of literary figures for biographies or news about the person, articles about their work, or essays that mention the person.

**Name of Work** searches for words in titles of literary works, retrieves articles and essays about the work as well as full-text versions of the work where available.

### Advanced Search

Use the dropdown menus and the Boolean operators (and/or/not) to search one or more indexes simultaneously.

To search more than three indexes, click the **Add a Row** link. Many of the indexes can be browsed for pre-defined search terms.

**Searches may be limited** to peer-reviewed publications, and/or by publication, publication date, document type, language, target audience, and content type.

### Person Search

Using this option, identify authors who share common characteristics including gender, nationality, ethnicity, century, genre, literary movement/time period and document type.

Clicking on the **Browse** link next to the characteristic will allow you to select one or more pre-defined terms that will automatically be imported to the Person Search screen.

### Works Search

This option builds a search of works of literature that share common characteristics including type of work, author, publication year, century, titles with full text of work available, original language, author gender, author nationality, author ethnicity, and document type.

To make multiple selections in any field, press and hold the **CTRL** (Control) key while clicking on multiple items.

### Previous Searches

Clicking on Previous Searches, displays a history of the searches conducted during the current session. Re-execute a search or modify a search by clicking on the **Revise** link. Use Advanced Search to build a new search from Previous Searches.