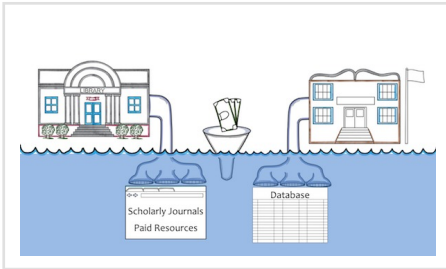


Lesson Plan

This lesson plan is designed to help you teach using a Common Craft video. Use the information below to introduce the video and then follow the video with discussion questions and other resources.



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ISTE Standard:
Knowledge Constructor, Indicator
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ACRL Info Literacy Frame:
Searching as Strategic
Exploration

Deep Web

Explained by Common Craft

When it comes to research, search engines are not enough. Waiting just out of their sight is a world of valuable resources called the Hidden or Deep Web. This video is designed to highlight the major differences between the normal web sites we see in search results and the databases, services and websites that are found in the Hidden or Deep Web.

Learning Outcomes

- Compare and contrast the deep web to the free web
- Describe the benefits of including resources from the deep web when conducting research
- Explain how to access resources from the deep web

Discussion Questions

Q #1

What databases or resources from the deep web are available to you through your library, school, or place of employment?

Q #2

Do you agree that the best research is found in the deep web rather than in normal search results? Explain.

Knowledge Check Q&A

Q

What is often the first step when doing research?

A

The first step is often to use search engines.

Q

What are the limitations of using search engines to do research?

A

Search engines can't log into private websites or databases.

Q

What is the deep web?

A

The deep web, also called the hidden web, is the part of the Internet that is not searchable by search engines. Deep web resources are often high value and authoritative. These resources typically come with a fee but may be accessed for free from many libraries and schools.

Resources for Learning More

Visually

“Exploring the depths of the deep web (Infographic)” 9/2012

<http://visual.ly/exploring-deep-web-semantic-search>

TechGYD

Saurabh Saha

“Top 10 search engines to explore deep/invisible web” 2/2014

<http://www.techgyd.com/seach-engine-to-explore-hidden-web/7344/>

Lifewire

Wendy Boswell

“Search the invisible web: 20 free resources online” 3/2017

<https://www.lifewire.com/search-the-invisible-web-20-resources-3482497>

OCL WorldCat

“Find items in libraries near you”

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

DOAJ: Directory of Open Access Journals

<https://doaj.org/>