

How to Use the Card Catalog

Summary

Informational texts in the library. How to use the card catalog to find an informational text.

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Secondary Library Media (6-12)

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Time Frame

1 class periods of 30 minutes each

Group Size

Large Groups

Life Skills

Thinking & Reasoning, Communication, Systems Thinking

Materials

Computer projector or computer lab Login to the library card catalog

Background for Teachers

The Teacher needs to visit with the librarian to make an appointment to bring students into the library to use the card catalog.

Student Prior Knowledge

Students need to know the following: How to access the library card catalog, How books are arranged in the library, and library vocabulary.

Intended Learning Outcomes

Students should be able to access the card catalog. Students should be able to find both non-fiction and fiction books by their call numbers

Instructional Procedures

The librarian will explain how the online card catalog works.

Students will be given a handout with the basic library vocabulary

Students will be given a map of the library.

Students will go online and find a book in each of the Dewey Decimal System subject areas. For example a book in 0-99, 100-299, etc.

Students will go to the stacks and find the book.

Extensions

Quizlet activity.

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