

English/Composition

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Looking for information about sentence structure? Need to find resources to develop a research paper? These and other questions can be answered with the aid of the resources listed below. If you have additional questions, ask the librarians. They are ready to assist you in finding the information you need.

Reference Books

- Abbreviations Dictionary
R 423.1 D466a8
- Acronyms, Initialisms, & Abbreviations Dictionary
423.1 Ac775
- African American Quotations
R 081.08996 Af834
- American Heritage Dictionary of Idioms
R 423.1 Am625a 1997
- Bartlett's Book of Business Quotations
R 650 B284
- Familiar Quotations
R 808.8 B28f16
- Comprehensive Grammar of the English Language
R 428.2 C738
- Concise Dictionary of Foreign Quotations
R 080 C748 2001
- Cyclopeda of Literary Characters
R 809.927 C992 1998
- Cyclopeda of Literary Places
R 809.922 C992
- Dictionary of Eponyms
R 423.1 B391d3
- Dictionary of Literary Terms and Literary Theory
R 803 C893d4
- Dictionary of Similes
R 082 W6999d 1990
- Dictionary of Slang and Unconventional English
R 427.09 P258d8
- Dictionary of the American West
427.978 B617d
- Encyclopedia of Allegorical Literature
R 809.915 L517e
- Encyclopedia of Apocalyptic Literature
R 809.9338 Z655e
- Encyclopedia of Folklore and Literature
R 803 En193 1998
- Encyclopedia of Historians and Historical Writing
R 907.2022 En195
- Encyclopedia of Literary Critics and Criticism
R 801.9503 En195 1999
- Encyclopedia of Literary Epics
R 809.13203 J134e
- Encyclopedia of Popular Fiction
R 809.3 B353
- Encyclopedia of Rhetoric
R 808.003 E5646
- Encyclopedia of Satirical Literature
R 809.5003 Sn525e
- Encyclopedia of Science Fiction
R 809.3876 En195
- Encyclopedia of the Essay
R 809.4003 En195 1997
- Encyclopedia of the Novel
R 809.3003 En195
- Facts on File Dictionary of Clichés
R 423.1 Am625f 2001
- Facts on File Dictionary of Foreign Words and Phrases
R 422.403 M3175f
- Facts on File Dictionary of Proverbs
R 082 M3175f
- Facts on File Encyclopedia of Word and Phrase Origins
R 422.03 H3848f3
- Fiction Dictionary
R 801.95303 H396f
- Handbook of Nonsexist Writing
R 428.2 M612h2
- Homophones and Homographs: An American Dictionary
R 423.1 H652h3
- How Not to Say What You Mean: A Dictionary of Euphemisms
R 423.1 H711h3
- MacMillan Dictionary of Political Quotations
R 082 Ei41m
- McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of World Drama
R 809.2 M178 1984
- MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers
Ref Desk 808.027 G35mh6
- MLA Style Manual
Ref Desk 808.027 G35ms2

- New Dictionary of American Slang
R 427.973 C367n
- NTC's Dictionary of Debate
R 808.53 H198n
- Oxford Book of Aphorisms
R 082 OX251
- Oxford Dictionary of Allusions
R 422.03 D372o
- Oxford Dictionary of Modern Slang
R 427.09 OX255
- Oxford Dictionary of Phrase, Saying and Quotation
R 082 OX266 2002
- Oxford Dictionary of Quotations
R 808.882 OX226
- Oxford Dictionary of Thematic Quotations
R 082 OX267
- Oxford Dictionary of Twentieth Century Quotations
R 808.882 OX255 1999
- Poetry Dictionary
R 808.103 D845p
- Quotable Woman: First 5,000 Years
R 301.412 Q575 2001
- Random House Webster's College Thesaurus
Ref Desk 423.1 R159 1997
- Slang!: The Topic-by-Topic Dictionary of Contemporary American Lingoes
R 427.973 D559s
- Social Protest Literature: An Encyclopedia
R 809.93355 S65 N389s
- Storytelling Encyclopedia
R 808.543 St765
- Twentieth Century Literary Movements Dictionary
R 809.91090403 T918
- 20th Century Words
R 423.1 Ay93t
- Usage and Abusage: A Guide to Good English
428 P27c
- Where Credit Is Due: A Guide to Proper Citing of Sources, Print and Nonprint
808.027 Sh615w2
- Words to Rhyme With
R 423.1 Es675w 2001

Books

Books are arranged on the shelf by broad subject categories.

420 English and Old English
800 Literature and Rhetoric

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

ED Education Dept.

Articles

Article databases can be found at
(<http://www.swosu.edu/library/>)

- Academic Search Complete (EbscoHost)
- Literary Reference (EbscoHost)
- LION: Literature Online Complete
- MLA Bibliography (EbscoHost)
- Naxos Spoken Word Library
- Oxford English Dictionary
- Oxford Reference Online Premium

For a complete list of periodicals owned by the library, look at the Periodical List
(<http://www.swosu.edu/library/>)

Internet Resources

- ACRONYM FINDER
<http://www.acronymfinder.com>
- COLUMBIA WORLD OF QUOTATIONS
<http://www.bartleby.com/66/>
- ENCYCLOPEDIA AMERICANA
<http://go-passport.grolier.com>
- FUNK AND WAGNALLS.COM
<http://www.swosu.edu/library/databases/encyclopedias.asp>
- GRAMMAR BYTES!
<http://www.chompchomp.com>
- GRAMMAR NOW
<http://www.grammarnow.com>
- INFORMATION PLEASE
<http://www.infoplease.com>
- MERRIAM-WEBSTER ONLINE DICTIONARY
<http://www.m-w.com/netdict.htm>
- ONLINE CONVERSIONS
<http://www.onlineconversion.com>
- ONLINE SYMBOLISM DICTIONARY
<http://www.umich.edu/~umfandsf/symbolismproject/symbolism.html>
- PARADIGM ONLINE WRITING ASSISTANT
<http://www.powa.org>
- RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION ONLINE BY DIANA HACKER
<http://www.dianahacker.com/resdoc/>
- RHYMEZONE RHYMING DICTIONARY & THESAURUS
<http://rhymezone.com>
- SIMPSON'S CONTEMPORARY QUOTATIONS: MOST NOTABLE QUOTATIONS, 1950-1988
<http://www.bartleby.com/63/>