World Literature
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Looking for information about an author from another country? Need to find critical discussions of a German novel, a Greek play, or a Japanese poem? 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

- African Writers
  R 896 Af835
- Biographical Dictionary of English Women Writers, 1580-1720
  R 820.99287 B52
- British Writers
  R 820.9 B777
- Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature
  R 16.82 B319c
- Columbia Dictionary of Modern European Literature
  R 803 C723 1980
- Contemporary Authors
  R 928 C765
- Contemporary Dramatists
  R 822 C767
- Contemporary Novelists
  R 823.914 C767 2001
- Contemporary Poets
  R 821.910903 C767 2001
- Contemporary Popular Writers
  R 820.9009 C7616
- Critical Survey of Long Fiction
  R 809.3 C871 2000
- Critical Survey of Poetry
  R 809.1003 C699 2003
- Critical Survey of Short Fiction
  R 809.31 C699 2001
- Cyclopedia of Literary Characters
  R 809.927 C992 1998
- Cyclopedia of Literary Places
  R 809.922 C992
- Dictionary of Imaginary Places
  R 809.93372 M314d 2000
- Dictionary of World Literature: Criticisms, Forms, and Technique
  R 803 Sh6da
- Encyclopedia of British Women Writers
  R 820.9928703 En195 1998
- Encyclopedia of Latin American Literature
  R 860.099803 En195 1997
- Encyclopedia of Medieval Literature
  R 809.02 En195
- Encyclopedia of World Literature in the 20th Century
  R 803 En198 1999
- Holocaust Literature
  R 809.93358 H55 H741 2003
- Library of the World’s Best Literature, Ancient and Modern
  R 803 L61
- The Literary 100
  R 809 B95L
- Masterplots
  R 808.8 M272m 1996
- Modern Japanese Writers
  R 895.6090044 M7206
- Modern Women Writers
  R 809.89287 M7208
- Mystery and Suspense Writers
  R 823.087209 M998
- Notable British Novelists
  R 820.90003 N843
- Oxford Companion to Canadian Literature
  R 809.8971 Ox255 1997
- Oxford Companion to Classical Literature
  R 880.9 Ox255 1989
- Oxford Companion to French Literature
  R 840.3 H250
- Oxford Companion to German Literature
  R 830.3 G183o3
- Oxford Companion to Irish Literature
  R 820.99415 Ox255 1996
- Poetry Explication: A Checklist of Interpretation Since 1925 of British and American Poems, Past and Present
  R 16.821 K963p 1980
- Reference Guide to Russian Literature
  R 891.703 R259 1998
- Reference Guide to World Literature
  R 809 R259 1995
- Shakespeare Name Dictionary
  R 822.33G D294s
- St. James Guide to Horror, Ghost & Gothic Writers
  R 809.3873809 Sa235
- Twentieth Century Literary Movements Dictionary
  **R 809.91090403 T918**
- Women Writers of Great Britain and Europe
  **R 809.89287 N843**
- World Literature Since 1945
  **809.04 lv1w**

### Books

800  Literature & Rhetoric  
803  (Literary) Dictionaries & Encyclopedias  
809  Literary History & Criticism  
820s  English & Old English Literatures  
830s  Literature of Germanic Languages  
840s  Literature of Romance Languages - French  
850s  Italian, Romanian, Rhaeto-Romanic Literatures  
860s  Literature of Spanish & Portuguese Lang.  
870s  Literature of Italic Languages—Latin  
880s  Hellenistic Literatures—Classical Greek  
890  Literatures of Other Languages  
891  East Indo-European & Celtic Literatures  
892  Afro-Asiatic Literatures (Semitic)  
893  Non-Semitic Afro-Asiatic Literatures  
894  Ural-Altaic, Paleosiberian, Dravidian  
895  Literatures of East and Southeast Asia  
896  African Literatures  
897  South American Native Literatures  
899  Other Literatures

### GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

**LC**  Library of Congress

### Internet Resources

- ALEX: A CATALOGUE OF ELECTRONIC TEXTS  
- AUTHOR WEBIOGRAPHY  
  [http://www.lib.lsu.edu/hum/lit/authors.html](http://www.lib.lsu.edu/hum/lit/authors.html)
- BRITISH WOMEN ROMANTIC POETS, 1789-1832: AN ELECTRONIC COLLECTION OF TEXTS  
- CANADIAN LITERATURE ARCHIVE  
  [http://www.umanitoba.ca/canlit/](http://www.umanitoba.ca/canlit/)
- CELT: ONLINE RESOURCE FOR IRISH HISTORY, LITERATURE AND POLITICS  
- DATABASE OF AWARD WINNING CHILDREN’S LITERATURE  
  [http://www.dawcl.com](http://www.dawcl.com)
- EIGHTEENTH CENTURY RESOURCES  
  [http://andromeda.rutgers.edu/~jlynch/18th/](http://andromeda.rutgers.edu/~jlynch/18th/)
- ELECTRONIC TEXT COLLECTIONS IN WESTERN EUROPEAN LITERATURE  
- INTERNET CLASSICS ARCHIVE  
  [http://classics.mit.edu/](http://classics.mit.edu/)
- IPL: LITERARY CRITICISM  
  [http://www.ipl.org/div/litcrit/](http://www.ipl.org/div/litcrit/)
- LATIN LIBRARY  
  [http://www.thelatinlibrary.com](http://www.thelatinlibrary.com)
- LEGENDA: EUROPEAN LITERATURE 1650-1850  
  [http://www.ehrc.ox.ac.uk/legenda/enlight.html](http://www.ehrc.ox.ac.uk/legenda/enlight.html)
- LITERARY AND RELATED AWARDS  
- NOBEL FOUNDATION  
- PULITZER PRIZES  
- SIXTEENTH CENTURY RENAISSANCE ENGLISH LITERATURE (1485-1603)  

### Articles

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

- Books in Print w/ Reviews (Bowker)  
- LION: Literature Online Complete  
- Literary Reference Center (EbscoHost)  
- MLA International Bibliography (EbscoHost)  
- Oxford Reference Online Premium  
- Project Muse  
- Wilson Biographies Illustrated  
- WorldCat

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