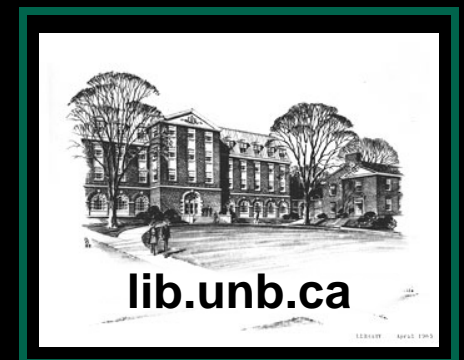
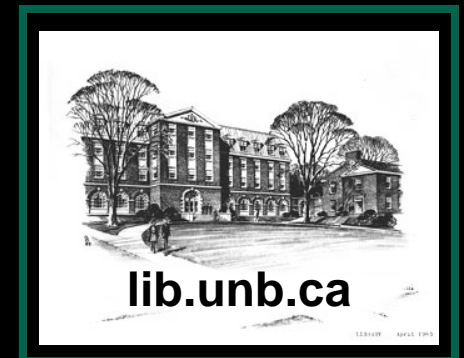


# 60-Second Information Literacy Pop Quiz



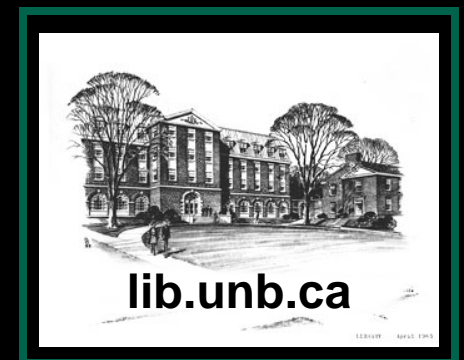
**The following student comments  
reveal commonly held views about  
library/information research.**

***Do you agree with them?***



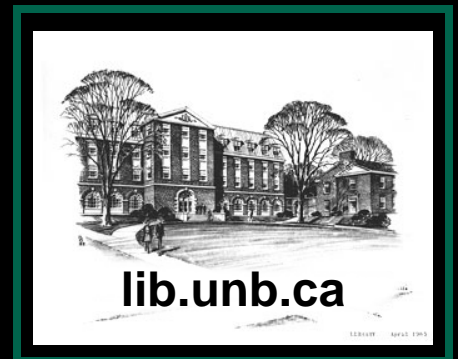
**“Google, including  
Google Scholar & Books,  
can find everything I need for  
my research assignments.”**

**TRUE, FALSE, or SORTA?**

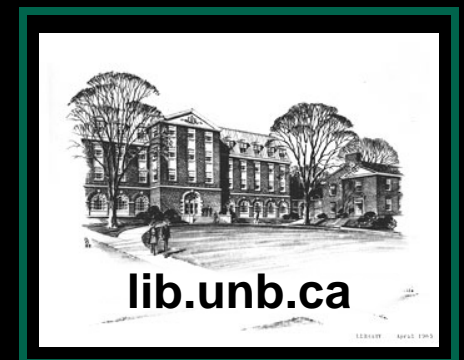


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Google can get you started,  
**BUT....**



For one thing, **Google** finds you the information  
you want, not the information you need.

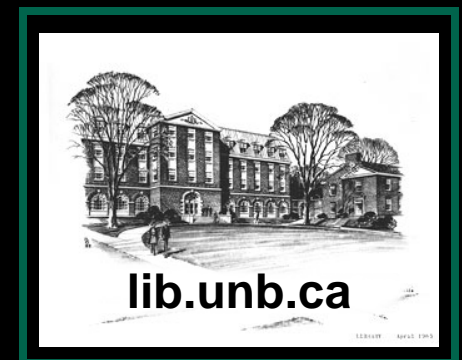


Secondly, while **Google** finds Wikipedia articles, the library has more reliable introductory overviews of topics—see the **Reference Sources** tab within a **Subject Guide**.



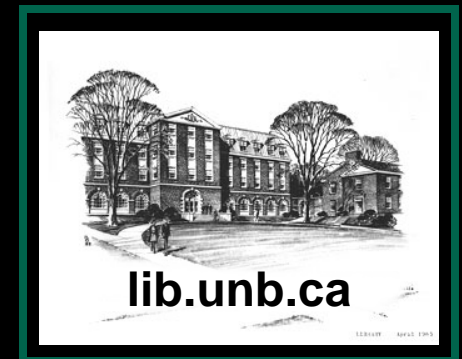
**Google Scholar** does not offer everything that **library article databases** do:

1. Library article databases cover **more journals**.
2. Library databases allow you to **focus in-depth on a specific discipline's literature**.
3. Library databases provide **unique and advanced search features**.
4. And ironically, Google Scholar includes some **non-scholarly material**.



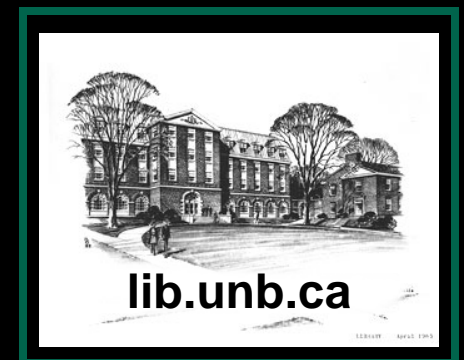
**Google Books** does not offer everything that **library catalogues** do:

1. Our library catalogues point to **whole print books or e-books**, not just descriptions or snippets.
2. Most students tell us they find it **easier to read books in print**, instead of on a screen.
3. Most of the books in library catalogues have been individually **selected by librarians and professors**.



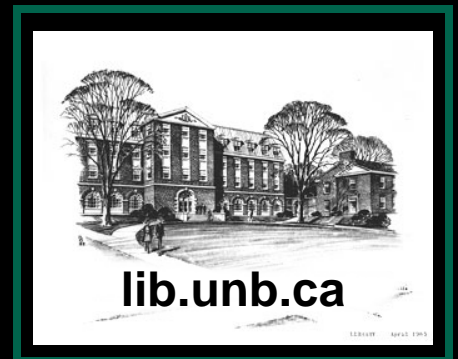
**“Everything’s online.  
I can do my research from  
home in my PJs.”**

**TRUE, FALSE, or SORTA?**



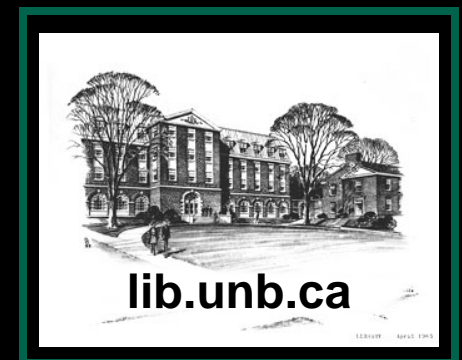
# SORTA

It's not *all* online. The library has about 1.5 million books and many **print-only journals**. We purchase thousands of new **print books** annually.



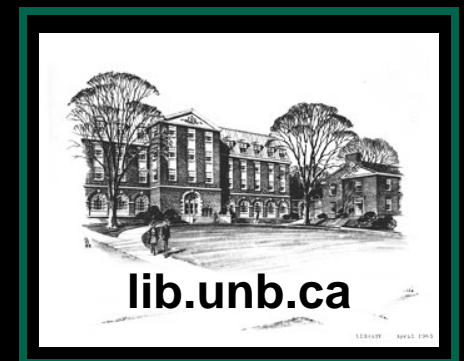
**“The library has only scholarly research material....all of it is reliable information which is OK for my research assignments.”**

**TRUE, FALSE, or SORTA?**



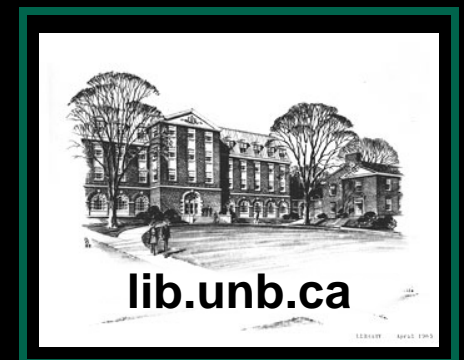
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We do have “popular” magazines, newspapers, and books, as well as professional journals. Always critically evaluate any information you find, even what you find at the library, making sure it is suited to your specific research task.



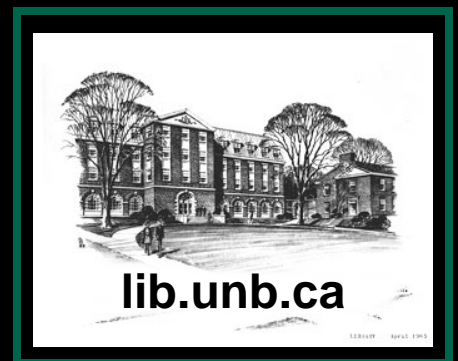
**“Finding stuff is easy.”**

**TRUE, FALSE, or SORTA?**



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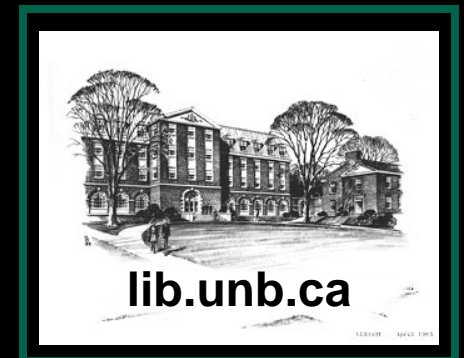
You often need to **dig deeper**. Expect your research to take *three times as long* as it will take to write your paper. But we're here to help....just **Ask Us!**



**Take time for research.**

**Take time to read.**

**Take time to think.**

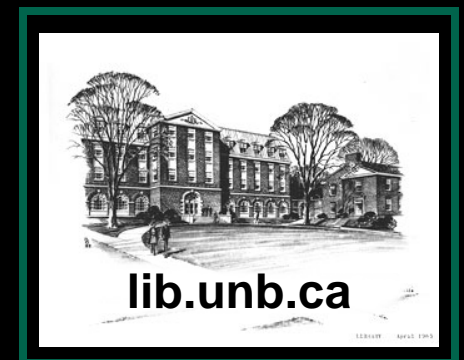




***We are in danger of becoming “a society of decoders of information, whose **false sense of knowing** distracts [us] from a deeper development of [our] intellectual potential.”***

- Maryanne Wolf, cognitive neuroscientist

Source: *Proust and the Squid: The Story and Science of the Reading Brain*. New York: Harper Perennial, 2008, p. 226.

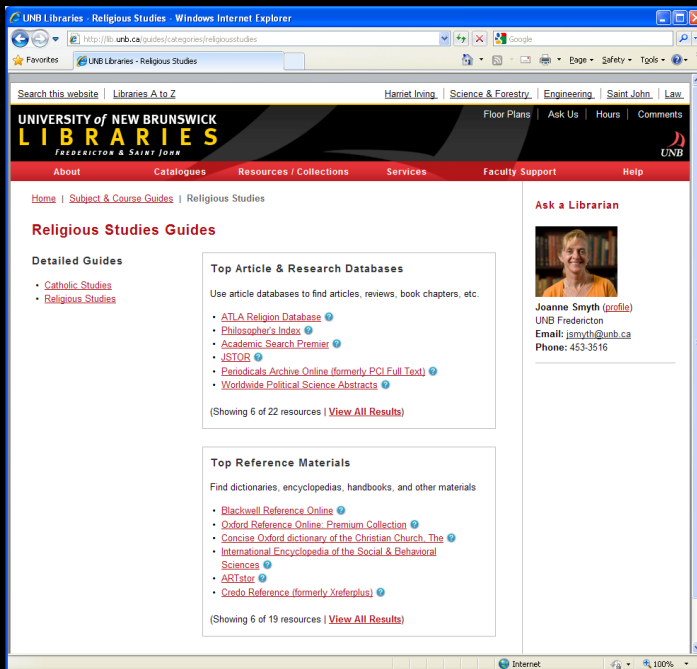


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# To Get Research Help:

**Contact the  
Research Help Desk**



← **Or the librarian,  
as listed on  
a subject  
guide**

