

OPEN THE DOORS TO LEARNING



Library Toolkit for School Tours

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Dear Parents:

We welcome your child to the Aylmer Old Town Hall Library.

In order for your child to receive a Free Library Card, please read the following information and fill out the form below.

The Library card is free:

- If you are a resident of Elgin County or St. Thomas
- If you pay taxes in Elgin County or St. Thomas
- If you are a member of a neighbouring library with reciprocal borrowing privileges

Your child will receive a plastic card, similar in appearance to a credit card, which contains their library number (if the card is lost, the cost to replace it is \$1.00)

An adult must sign the card for a child, up to and including a child in Grade 8, in order for it to be valid. A parent or guardian is responsible for the choice of material the child borrows.

Please report a change of address or phone number or the loss of the card as soon as possible.

Privileges of a Library Membership:

A library card entitles you to borrow from a large selection of items: Books, Audiobooks (books on tape), videos, music CDs and CD-ROMs, children's cassette and tape kits and magazines.

I give my permission for _____ (*name of child*)

to register for membership at the Aylmer Old Town Hall Library.

Name of child _____

Address & Postal Code _____

Phone number _____

Parent's Signature _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Library Resource Page

What's at the Aylmer Library?

Your teacher asks you to do a project on Medieval times. You choose to do the life of a Medieval knight. Where will you get the facts?

You go online and find hundreds of web sites. But... some sites are hard to read. Others are hard to navigate. Still others do not have what you need. You really don't want to look at all the sites. What do you do?

What about the library? Charge to your library... here's what you'll find:

Books about Medieval times

here are some titles

available at the Aylmer Library:

The Life of a Knight (J 940.1088355 Eas)

The World of the Medieval Knight (J 940.1 Gra)

The Knight's Handbook (J 940.1 Gra)

A **librarian**, who can help you find what you need

Online Information, with pictures or images that you can print



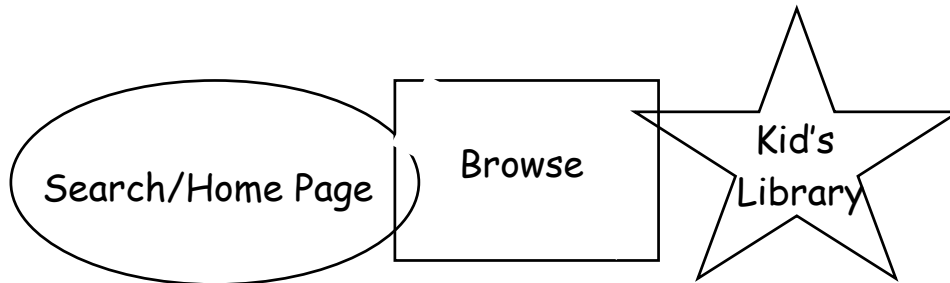
An **encyclopedia article** about "Knights and knighthood" (World Book Encyclopedia - K:348)

A **video** about Medieval times... one is called "Life in the Middle Ages: The Knight" (J 940.1 LIF videorecording)

On-line Catalogue Tip sheet-Grades 4-6

Aylmer Old Town Hall Library A Branch of the Elgin County Library System

THREE WAYS TO FIND IT!



Simple Search & Power Search from the Search Page:

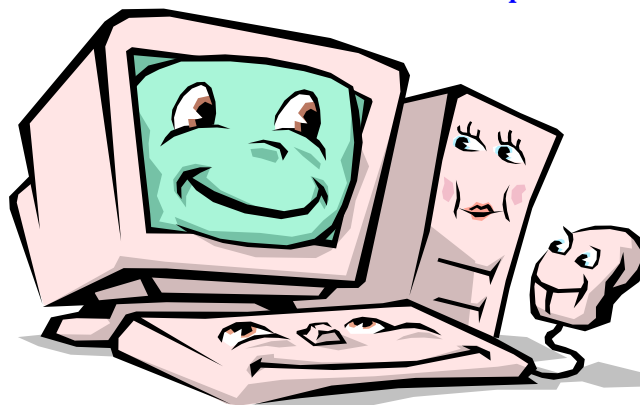
- Search by words/phrase, author, title, subject, series, or periodical title
- Use power search to find special things like videos, audiobooks or music CD's
- Brief search results tells you about the title, where the book is located, and if it is checked out
- Click on "details" to place a hold, search for similar titles, or search for more by the same author

Browse:

- Follow the pictures to find topics that interest you.
- Click on a picture that looks interesting (such as animals), then look at the next set of pictures (aquariums, bears, birds, etc.) to choose the next topic
- After choosing another picture, a list of titles come up... these are books or videos or audio books about the topic.

Kid's Library:

- Check out more pictures here!
- Search the same way (as Browse) but just for kids
- Click on the pictures to find lots of books on that topic



Name: _____ Date: _____

Online Resources

Online @ the Aylmer Old Town Hall Township Library

Do you have a library card? If not, go to your library and get one. Libraries are a great place to find all kinds of information – including information on the Internet.

Here's what you can do online with an Elgin County Library card:



You can get **free** access to the Internet. That's right! No monthly fee and no charge for using the computer (although you will be charged a small amount for printing)



You can get a **real live expert** – a reference librarian – to help you get around the Internet and find high quality information. (You know, some 'facts' on the Internet are not really true)



You can enter subscription Web sites that are only available from library computers.

Try **Electric Library** @

<http://elibrary.bigchalk.com/libweb/canada/do/search>

You can search for newspaper and magazine articles, print them, and take them home.



Having a library card number is almost as good as being in the library. You can enter Web sites **from any computer** that is connected to the Internet.

Try <http://www.library.elgin-county.on.ca/aylmer/> and go to "Reference Research", then look at **Ebsco**. Enter your library card number to find good information.

Teacher's Guide for On-Line Catalogue At the computer

1. Go to **Internet Explorer** to use the Internet. This is called a "browser".
2. Go to Aylmer's homepage
3. Click on **catalogue** (briefly note list of other things on homepage in left column)
4. Notice picture of a library card. (you'll need one of those to check your books out)
5. Click on **click here** to enter the catalogue
6. "If you needed to find a book in the library, how would you do this? We'll show you."
7. Using the example from the sheet, have kids search for "Medieval" Use options to **search** e.g. subject, title or even location. Try to find a title or two that looks interesting. Notice that some of it is fiction. **define Fiction
8. Use **power search** to narrow your search to only non-fiction items
9. Choose only **videos**, then choose **videos-juvenile**. Notice the difference and make note of some interesting titles.
10. Go into **details** and notice pictures and summaries of items.
11. Notice where you can place a **hold** on an item
** this sends the library a message that you want to have that item and we will call you when it is available for you to pick-up.
12. Go to the **Kid's Library** and have kids explore what it can do.

Library Scavenger Hunt

Grades 4-6

1. Find a book by Eric Wilson in the Juvenile Fiction.

Write down the title of one of his books.

Answer: _____

2. What kinds of books have the call number 551 on the spine?

Look in the Non-Fiction section

- a) travel b) poetry c) volcanoes d) sports

3. What is the name of a Canadian encyclopedia set? Look in the Reference section of the library.

Canada is on the spine and in the title.

Answer: _____

4. Eric Carle is a very popular children's author. Find a book written and illustrated by him in the Easy Read section of the library (young readers)

Answer: _____

5. Find the Audio Books or books on tape (same thing). Write down a title and author of one of them.

Answer: _____

6. What is the call number for the sports books? You can check this by using the on-line catalogue. Type in any sport you want. Use the call number beside the title.

Non-fiction will have a number. Fiction will only have letters.

Answer: _____

Library Scavenger Hunt Grade 7 to 8

The answers can be found in books from the Non-Fiction section of the library.

1. The Aylmer Express has had other names for its newspapers in the past. You can find the answer in the Local History section of the library, on the outside of the second drawer of the green filing cabinet

Answer: _____

2. *The World Almanac for kids 2004* can be found with the Dewey decimal number of **J 031.02 WOR 2004**. Using the index in the back of the book, find the page that features the Halls of Fame. In what year did Lord Stanley introduce the Stanley Cup to hockey?

Answer: _____

3. In the book *The Illustrated Wildlife Encyclopedia Animal Planet*, on page 109, find out which type of cat likes to swim. Find this book with the call number **J 599 ANI**

Answer: _____

4. Our books on space can be found under the Dewey decimal number **629**. *Journey Into Space* is a true story about landing on the moon. Who said, "That's one small step for man, one giant step for mankind." (Hint: he was the first man to walk on the moon.)

Answer: _____

5. The famous hockey game of September 28, 1972 had Paul Henderson score the winning goal for Canada against the Soviet Union. What two sets of brothers played on that team? Find the Dewey decimal number for the book *Team Canada 1972* on our computer catalogue. Then check the contents in the book for the answer.

Answer: _____

6. Go to the History section. In the **970** call numbers you will find the book *Great Lake Indians*. What major, well-known tribe do the Menominee Indians belong to? Check the contents at the front of the book.

Answer: _____

7. Get your Elgin County Library Card! (If you sent in a form)

Ready Reference Questions Grade 7 to 8
The answers can be found in the books located on the tables in the Juvenile area.

1. Where is the Hubble Space telescope located?

Answer: _____

2. What movie won best picture in 1997?

Answer: _____

3. Who is the main character (first and last name) of Anne of Green Gables?

Answer: _____

4. What is the slang term for "fiasco"?

Answer: _____

5. Who delivered the speech that begins "I have a dream"? What year?

Answer: _____

6. Where was Celine Dion born?

Answer: _____

7. In what province, in Canada, is Bigstick Lake?

Answer: _____

Answers to Ready Reference Questions Grade 7 to 8

1. World Book Encyclopedia
Pg. 403

In orbit about 380 miles above the earth.

2. A Canadian Global Almanac 2004
Pg. 642

Titanic.

3. Imaginary People
Pg. 416

Anne Shirley.

4. The Random House Thesaurus
Pg. 271

Flop, botch, washout

5. Bartlett's Familiar Quotations
Pg. 761

**Martin Luther King.
August 28, 1963**

6. The Virgin Encyclopedia of Popular Music
Pg. 360

Charlemagne, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

7. Canadian Oxford World Atlas
Gazetteer Canada
Pg. 186

Saskatchewan.



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Aylmer Public Library Field Trip Evaluation

Students: Complete the following sheet to reflect what you learned and how you felt.

1. Did you previously have a library card? ___ Yes ___ No
2. A. If you didn't have a card, did you apply for a card now? ___ Yes ___ No
B. If you did have a card, how often do you use your card? ___ 1/wk ___ 1/mo ___ 1/yr
3. What resources in the library interest you the most and why?

4. A card is free and you can borrow most of the materials in the library. What important rule do you have to remember so that you can say every thing at your library is free to you?

5. List as many helpful resources as you can recall that would help you to research a topic.

6. What part of the tour did you enjoy the most?

7. What part of the tour would you change and why?

8. Rate the value of the trip on a scale of 1(lowest) to 10 (highest) _____

Teachers:

Please complete the following evaluation sheet to share your thoughts about the Aylmer Library Trip.

1. What part of the trip did you find the most helpful for your own professional development?

2. As you moved from group to group, what centre did you find the students most engaged in?

3. Now that all of our grade 4 - 8 students have had the tour, do you feel that every grade 4 and 8 student should continue to have the tour annually?

Yes No

4. Other comments?

Name: _____

Thank you for your feedback!