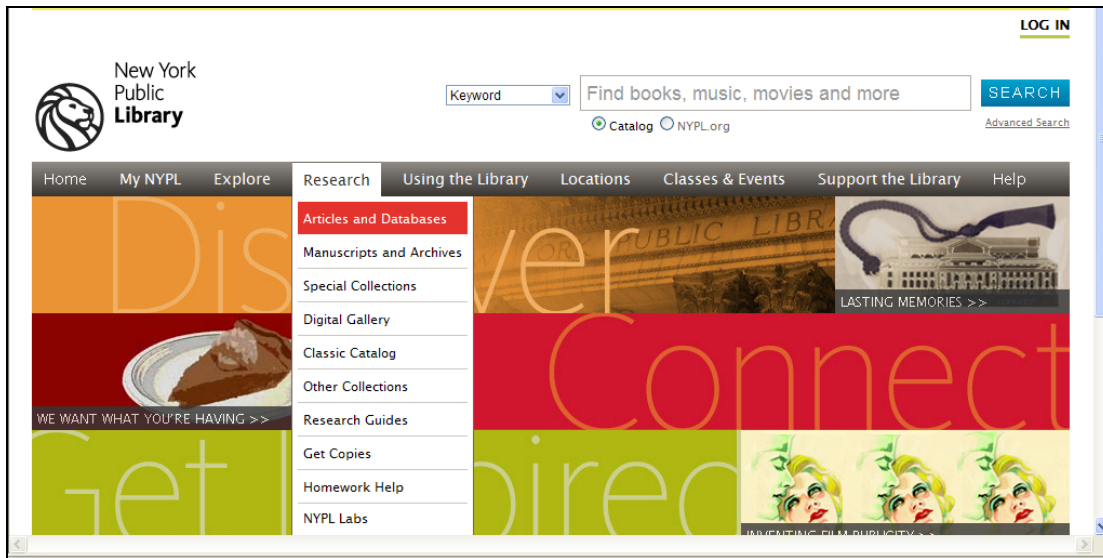


# Using Gale Virtual Reference Library<sup>SM</sup> for your research

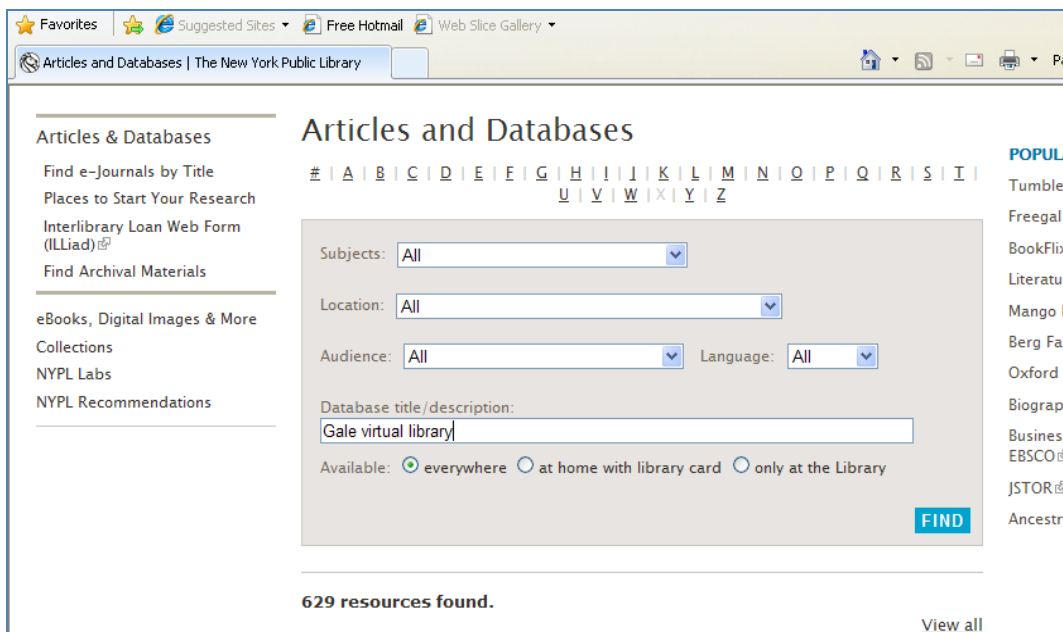
Gale Virtual Reference Library is an electronic database of encyclopedias, almanacs, and specialized reference sources for multidisciplinary research. There are many ebooks in this database that would be useful to your research on the Cold War.

**Note:** you will need a NYPL library card to use this database. Here's how to access the database.

**Go to NYPL (nypl.org) – hover over RESEARCH and then choose Articles and Databases**



**In the next screen, under Database title/description, type GALE VIRTUAL LIBRARY and click FIND**



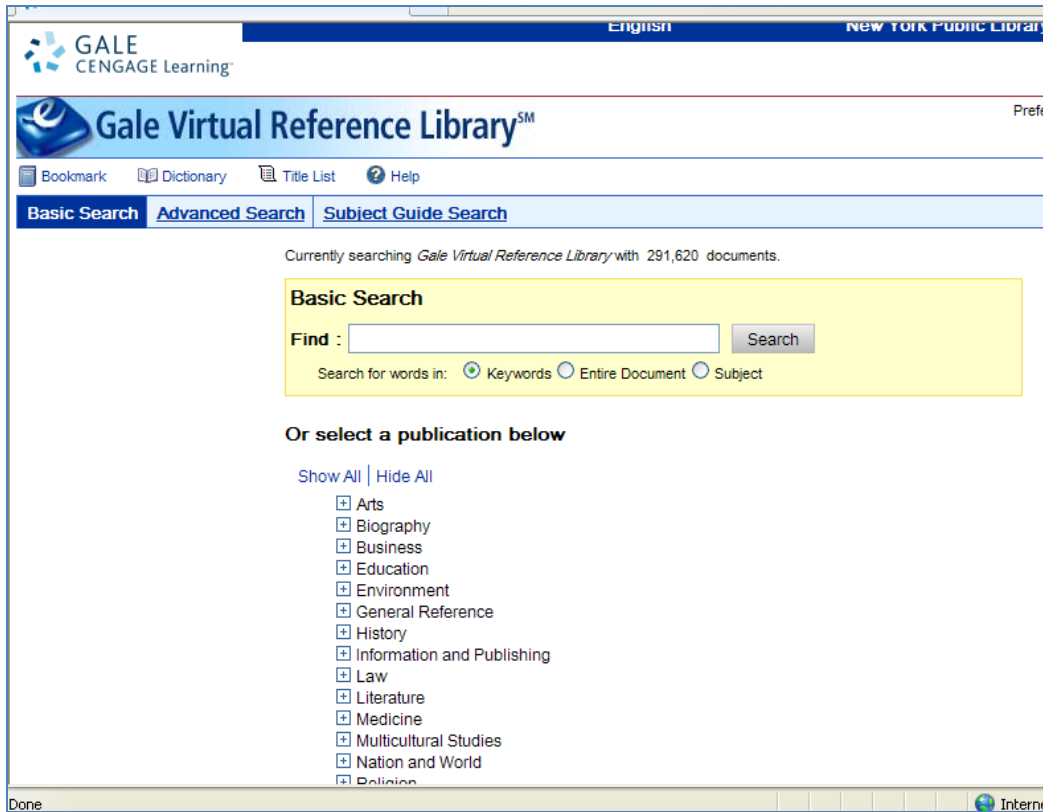
**When the choices come up (you may have to scroll down a little on your screen), click on *Gale virtual reference library***

The screenshot shows a search interface for NYPL Recommendations. At the top left, it says "NYPL Recommendations". The search bar contains "Gale virtual reference library". Below the search bar, there are radio buttons for "Available:" with options: "everywhere" (selected), "at home with library card", and "only at the Library". There are "CLEAR FILTERS" and "FIND" buttons. On the right side, there is a vertical list of categories: Biography, Business, EBSCO, JSTOR, and Ancestry. Below the search bar, it says "2 resources found." and "Sort by: Relevance | Title". The first result is "Gale Virtual Reference Library" with a home icon and a description: "Gale Virtual Reference Library is an electronic database of encyclopedias, almanacs, and specialized reference sources for multidisciplinary research." The second result is "Twayne's Authors Series" with a home icon and a "NOVEL" tag, and a description: "Contains the full text of frequently-used Twayne Literary Masters books on individual World, US, or English authors. \*Twayne's Authors Series is now available via the Gale Virtual Reference Library eBook platform."

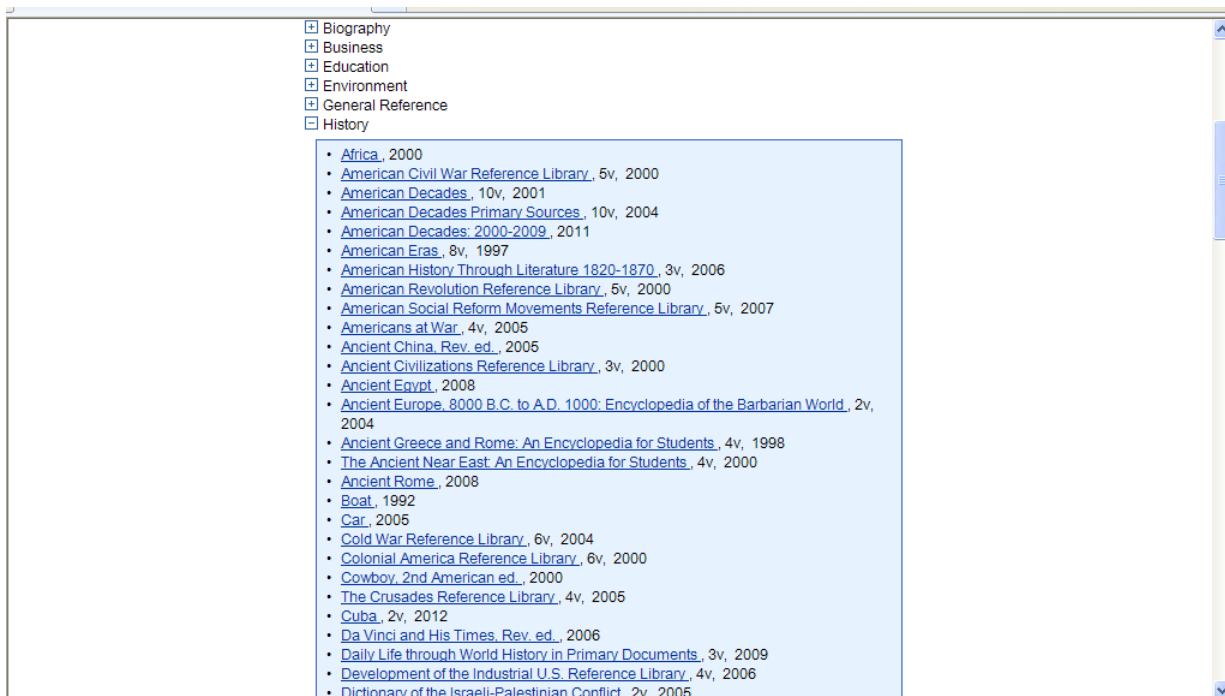
**At this point, you may be asked for the barcode number from your NYPL library card. Enter that.**

The screenshot shows the Cengage Learning Infotrac login page. At the top left is the Cengage Learning logo. In the center, the word "INFOTRAC" is displayed in large blue letters. Below that, it says "Back to the New York Public Library Databases". There is a text input field with the prompt "Please enter your library ID, barcode, or other ID:" and a "Proceed" button. At the bottom, there is an "Important User Information" section with text: "Remote access to Cengage Learning databases is permitted to patrons of subscribing institutions who access from remote locations. Such remote access is limited to non-commercial purposes. Remote access from a non-subscribing institution is not permitted if done for cost reduction or avoidance at that institution. For additional information, please reference the Copyright and Terms of Use link below."

You will find yourself at the main screen. Click the + sign next to *History* to see the list of history ebooks.



You'll see a long list! It is in alphabetical order



**You should start with:**

- **Cold War Reference Library , 6v, 2004**

**Other ebooks that would be helpful, depending on your topic:**

- **American Decades**
- **Encyclopedia of American Foreign Policy**
- **Encyclopedia of Espionage, Intelligence and Security**
- **Encyclopedia of Latin American History and Culture**
- **History behind the Headlines: Origins of Conflicts Worldwide**

When accessing the ebooks, use the eBook Index to find your topic(s).

You can print, email or download the documents you find.

**Important!**

- **If you use the PDF view, be sure to print out ONLY THE PAGES YOU WANT, not the whole chapter!**
- **You will NOT have the bibliographic information if you print out the PDF – make sure to get that and write it down somewhere**

**Other NYPL databases to use for your research:**

- **U.S. History in Context**
- **World History in Context**
- **Academic Search Premier (for history journals)**

**Access them from the same Articles and Databases screen**

