

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

You are expected to use a variety of sources of information in your essays and reports, and this may help to improve your marks. Here is a list of suggestions.

Books, including reference books

Journals/periodicals

(These are publications which come out at regular intervals; for example, monthly. Many are electronic.)

Newspapers

Indexes and abstracts

(These index journal articles by keyword; abstracts also have a summary of the articles. Most are electronic.)

Official (Government) publications

(These include the debates of Parliament in Hansard, and white papers)

Theses/dissertations

(These are extended pieces of work written by students in their third year of a degree, or at Masters or PhD level)

Statistics/surveys

Lecture/seminar/tutorial notes

Maps

CDRoms/Videos/DVDs/audio tapes

Television/radio

The Internet

Conference papers

People

Life experience