

RESEARCH QUICK GUIDE

1 Set up your EasyBib account (www.easybib.com).

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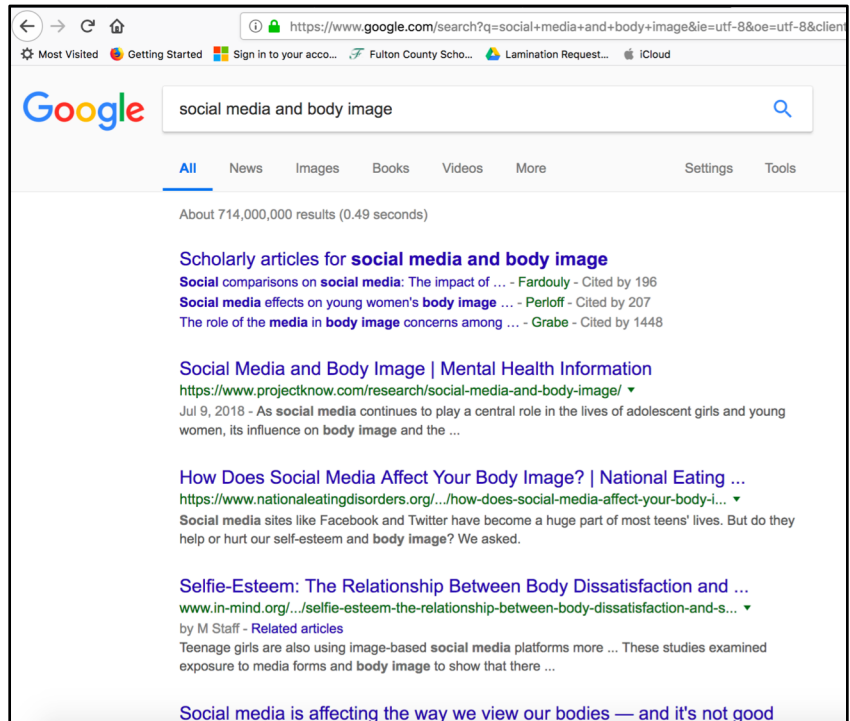
Get acquainted with your research topic. Consider conducting some cursory research using a well-known search engine like Google. The sources you locate during this search may not be credible; however, they **can** give you a starting point in terms of learning the language or jargon of your topic. You can use this language to later do more sophisticated searches (described below).

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“Up” the Credibility of Your Search. Consider using a search engine that

“emphasizes high quality

resources” like www.sweetsearch.com. Although a search engine, this website is more tailored than Google, for example.



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Conduct a More Sophisticated Search Using Authoritative Databases. As a student of Fulton County Schools, you have access to authoritative, subscription-only research databases. You can access these databases by following these steps:

- Go to Launchpad
- Go to MackinVIA
- Select your database of choice
 - Academic Search Complete
 - Galileo
 - Gale Opposing Views (this database contains the most student-friendly articles, i.e., more “digestible” text)

NOTE: You must locate at least two of your sources using a MackinVIA database.

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Export and/or save any selected resources to your EasyBib account. EasyBib will help you create MLA-compliant citations, even placing your sources in alphabetical order.

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Review each selected source, reflecting on its value to your research, as well as assessing its credibility. See the sections entitled “Reflection” and “Assessment” on the assignment, as well as the template on reverse.

