INTRODUCTION
Personal Introduction, Review Workshop Objectives, & Libguide Overview

Part I - FIND BOOKS/EBOOKS
Click on the Find Book/Ebooks tab on the LibGuide
Say you’re looking for books in our library’s collection that provide literary analyses, criticisms and interpretations of Jamaica Kincaid’s work
Using the embedded search in the middle of the page, let’s formulate a simple keyword search:
   Enter: **Jamaica Kincaid and criticism**
Click **Search** – this simple keyword search should return about 13 keyword matches
Results are returned chronologically (publication date – most recent first)
Click **Next Page** in the lower right to view results no.s 11 - 13
Let’s take a look at result #1: **Jamaica Kincaid : a literary companion**
Let’s briefly go over the book or bibliographic record for this title:
   *Author, Title, Imprint, library info/call no., holdings, google books, etc*

Subject Headings:
Under the subject headings, look at the 2nd one displayed here:
   **Kincaid, Jamaica -- Criticism and interpretation.**
Note the relevant subject terms: **Criticism and interpretation**
Pro Tip: whenever you’re searching for literary criticisms of an author’s works in a book collection use the author’s name in connection with the phrase, “criticism and interpretation”

When you click on the this subject heading a pop-up window appears giving you two options:
**Kincaid, Jamaica -- Criticism and interpretation.** *(specific to criticisms, but may not be everything we’re looking for)*
   OR
**Kincaid, Jamaica (more general)**
Click on **GO** to the left of **Kincaid, Jamaica -- Criticism and interpretation**
Exit the pop-up and behind you’ll find the number of titles that fall under the subject heading Kincaid, Jamaica -- Criticism and interpretation, but then as you see below the
nearest alphabetic matches including
Click on **3 - Kincaid, Jamaica -- Criticism and interpretation** to view the corresponding titles
All of these are books in print we should currently have on the shelf located on the lower level

**Click on title #3: Jamaica Kincaid : where the land meets the body**
Notice the Google Books link on the right - right click & open in a new tab
Copy and paste the full title into the top search box and hit enter
See the 1st result - includes a “Preview”
Click on the title and hit clear search on the right
Scroll down on the left to the search box and enter: **“A Small Place”**
This should return 8 snippet view results from within this book

**Search Example #2: Octavia Butler’s Kindred**
Return to Find Books tab on the LibGuide
Another approach to finding literary criticisms and interpretations of an author’s works can be to employ a keyword search using the title of the work and the author’s name
Using a keyword search enter: **Octavia Butler and Kindred**
This search should produce only 1 matching result and opens directly to the book record for: **The freedom to remember : narrative, slavery, and gender in contemporary Black women’s fiction**

Let’s briefly go over the book or bibliographic record for this title:

*Author, Title, Imprint, library info/call no., holdings, google books, etc*
Notice here again the Google Books link on the right - right click & open in a new tab
Copy and paste the full title into the top search box and hit enter
See the 1st result - includes a “Preview”
Click on the title and hit clear search on the right
Scroll down on the left to the search box and enter: **Kindred**
This should return 5 snippet view results from within this book
Part II: Articles/Databases

CREDO Reference
Say you’re looking for a resource that will bring together both biographical information and critical analysis of an author’s works.
Click on CREDO Reference in the upper left corner of the Articles/Databases page
In the search box, enter: Jamaica Kincaid
We should see an entry at the top from Credo followed by a number of relevant entries from a variety of encyclopedic sources but of varying word length
Let’s scroll down to the entry: The Columbia Companion to the Twentieth-Century American Short Story
Notice the entry word length: 2530 Words
Now that we have the article open, we can use the browser to help us
Click on the three dots in the upper right, select Find, and search for magical realism
There should be at least 4 uses of the term within this article.
Go over database functionalities: Citation Tools, Email, Download, Print, etc/

Literature Resource Center
Literature Resource Center. It’s another option for you to find literary criticisms and interpretations of written works in addition to our book collection

Example #1 – Literature Resource Center – Person By-Or-About
So, let’s say you’re looking for literary criticisms and interpretations from scholarly sources on Barbara Kingslover’s works using this database
Click on drop-down arrow and select Person By-Or-About
Enter: Barbara Kingslover in the search box then hit SEARCH
You should now be presented with 60 critical essays (literary criticisms, comparisons, & interpretations pertaining to this work
We can drill down further into these results by scrolling down on the right to the section: Name of Work - the click the + sign to see the complete listing of works and the number of literary criticisms attached to each
The 3rd title listed there is The Bean Tree (11)
Click on the title to access those specific criticisms
Scroll down and click on the article:
Gardens of Auto Parts: Kingsolver’s Merger of American Western Myth and Native American Myth in The Bean Trees
Click on the three dots in the upper right of the browser, select Find, and search for: **Native American**

There should be at least 25 uses of the phrase within this article.

Review database functionalities: Citation Tools, Email, Download, Print, etc/

**ProQuest Central**

**Example #1** - Say you’re looking for scholarly articles which discuss the postcolonial perspective found in Octavia Butler’s writings

In the first search box enter: "Octavia Butler"

In the second search box enter: "postcolonial perspective"

Under Source Type check off scholarly journals

Under document Type check off article

Click Search -- this should return about 6 matching results

Take a look at the 1st article result:

**Defining Kindred: Octavia Butler’s Postcolonial Perspective**

Below the article it indicates Full text - PDF

Click on Preview on the far right to view the article abstract

Click on article title and review database functions

**Example #2** - Say you’re looking for scholarly articles that discuss the travel narratives of Mary Wollstonecroft

Click on ProQuest Central at the bottom of the middle column on the Articles/Databases tab

Set Up Your Search:

In the first search box enter: "Mary Wollstonecraft"

In the second search box enter: "travel writing" OR "travel narrative"

Under Source Type check off scholarly journals

Under document Type check off article

Click Search -- this should return about 83 matching results

Take a look at the 3rd article result:

**Suffering, Sentiment, and Civilization: Pain and Politics in Mary Wollstonecroft’s Short Residence**

Below the article it indicates Full text - PDF

Click on Preview on the far right to view the article abstract
Click on article title and review database functions

Return to article results and look at #4:
**Countenancing history: Mary Wollstonecraft, Samuel Stanhope Smith, and enlightenment racial science**
Notice under this article it displays: Check Full Text Finder for Full Text
The abstract is accessible through Preview but the full text is either in another database or can be requested via interlibrary loan
In this case, we’re linked to the full text article in JSTOR

Return to article results and look at #6:
**Women's travel writing and the legacy of Romanticism**
Notice under this article it displays: Check Full Text Finder for Full Text
The abstract is accessible through Preview but the full text is either in another database or can be requested via interlibrary loan
In this case, we’re linked to request the article via interlibrary loan

**Part III - MLA Citation**
KnighCite
Purdue OWL MLA Guide - Sample MLA Paper