



Library Services Course Guide ~ Reading

About our Course Guides:

Each page is dedicated to the areas covered by the courses offered here at RPCC. Each page lists various types of resources, including printable guides and handouts, suggested databases for research, selected e-books and books in our collection, and links to relevant online resources.

For more information on course offerings, visit the following web pages:

Catalogs: <http://www.rpcc.edu/catalogs.cfm>

Technical Programs: <http://www.rpcc.edu/technicalPrograms.cfm>

Suggested Databases:

Click on any **Databases** link on the Library website to access these. Please note that access from off-campus will require your Library User ID (or Alt ID) & PIN, or, for some resources, a different User ID & Password. See our page on [Using Online Library Resources From Home](#).

- **LearningExpress Library**

The following resources are intended to provide reading materials at various levels for practice rather than for subject-specific research.

- **MAS Ultra**
- **Book Collection: Non-Fiction**
- **World Book Advanced: E-Books Center**

Selected E-Books:

The **eBook Collection** from EBSCOhost is our largest provider of e-books (electronic copies of printed books PDF format), available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. **eBook Collection** has an easy-to-use search interface. You will be prompted to login with your 12-digit Library User ID to access these e-books from off-campus. Please see our Tutorials on eBook Collection from EBSCOhost for more information.

- *How to Read and Remember More in 20 Minutes a Day*, 1997, by Elizabeth Chesla.
- *Improve Your Reading*, 4th edition, 2000, by Ronald W. Fry.
- *501 Reading Comprehension Questions*, 1999; the 4th Edition, 2010, is available from LearningExpress Library E-Books.
- *Reading Comprehension Success in 20 Minutes a Day*, 1998, by Elizabeth Chesla.

Visit our eBook Collections, <http://library.rpcc.edu/ebooks.html>, for links to eBook Collection from EBSCOhost and other e-book collections. Please note that books that are still protected by copyright may not be available online in full-text from the free sources.

Locations of Reading Resources in the Library:

Reading-related topics can be found in resources located in these Library of Congress call number ranges:

- **LB1049** - Methods of study.
 - **LB1049.9** - Reading
- **LB1050.45** - Comprehension.
- **LB2395.3** - Reading skills.

Selected Books in the Library:

- ***College Reading and Study Skills***
Call number: **LB 2395.3 .M386 2001**
- ***Developing Critical Reading Skills***
Call number: **LB 2395.3 .M55 1999**
- ***Ten Steps to Advancing College Reading Skills***
Call number: **LB 2395.3 .L345 1999**
- ***The Thinker's Guide to How to Read a Paragraph: The Art of Close Reading***
Call number: **LB 1050.45 .P38 2006**

Online Resources:

The following resources have been reviewed and selected in collaboration with relevant faculty. Please note that websites outside of RPCC are beyond our control. We strive to ensure that the sites that we recommend are reliable and valid sources of high-quality information. Please let us know if you find any consistently dead links.

- **Adult Literacy: Literacy Connections,**
<http://www.literacyconnections.com/adultliteracy.php>
Established by a Reading and Language Arts teacher, this site includes resources aimed at helping adults develop their reading skills and comprehension.
- **Skillswise - Words: Reading,**
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/words/reading/>
From the BBC, this site offers resources for improving reading skills.
- **Townsend Press Online Learning Center,**
<http://www.townsendpress.net/>
From the publisher of many reading textbooks, this site offers free resources. An account is required to use many of the resources, but it is free!