



# Study Guide

## FINDING INFORMATION IN NEWSPAPERS AND NEWS DIGESTS

Often, when you are doing research, you will need very up-to-date information or first-hand reports on either past or present events. Newspapers are the best sources for:

1. current events
2. public reaction
3. trends of present or past opinion

Material published in newspapers is found by using newspaper indexes. Also useful for determining the dates of or summaries of particular events are news digests. The current newspapers are located on the main floor in the periodicals collection. They are arranged by title.

### NEWSPAPER INDEXES

Indexes      *The New York Times Index*. 1966 to date.

The New York Times is known as the "newspaper of record" for the United States. This index provides detailed subject access to all articles of significant news, editorial matter, and special features published in the newspaper. Subject headings are arranged alphabetically, and individual entries are grouped chronologically under each subject. Because the citations are arranged chronologically under topics, the index can also serve as a day-by-day record of the development of a particular event. The index is issued biweekly, quarterly and an annual cumulation. Obituaries are listed under DEATHS and movie reviews under MOTION PICTURES - REVIEWS.

### SAMPLE ENTRY

Subject Heading → **KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO**

Shareholders of Kentucky Medical Insurance Co approve company's \$25.37 million acquisition by Michigan Physicians Mutual Liability Co

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Date   Section   Page

Indicates length of the article →

**KICKBACKS. Use Bribery** ← use this heading

**KING, DON. See also**

Boxing, D 19 ← look under this subject at this date

## NEWS BANK - America's Newspapers

NewsBank is an online full-text news resource containing comprehensive coverage of current issues and events from over 600 U.S. and Canadian Newspapers, new sources and domestic and International news wires. More than 50,000 articles selected annually provide regional, national and International perspectives. If you have trouble or need help using this database, see a Reference Librarian.

## NEWS DIGESTS

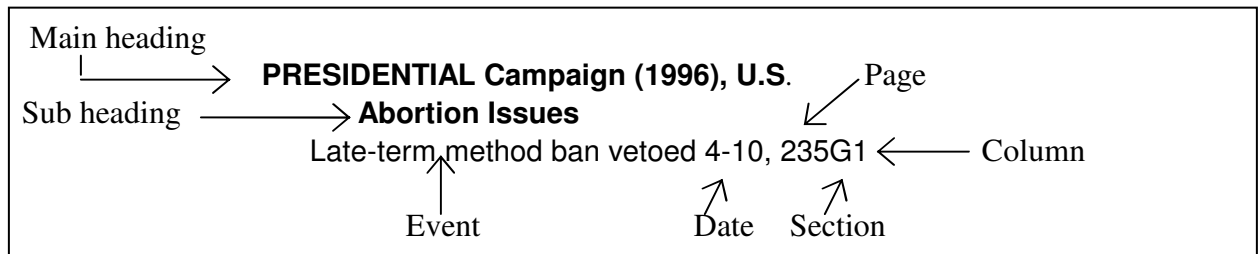
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909.82      *Facts on File*. 1967 to date.

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Gives weekly summaries of national and international news. It is arranged chronologically and, within each week, by broad categories. The index is on yellow or blue pages at the end of each volume. Index entries refer you to the date of the event and to the page number and position on the page of the report.

### SAMPLE ENTRY



Periodicals      *Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report*. 1963 to date.

This publication describes congressional and political activities and developments of the previous week. Use it to identify how particular House and Senate members voted, the status of a bill, and for information on committees and lobbies. Check the table of contents on the back of each issue or the index (yellow pages) which appears every three months.

Ready Ref.

070      *CQ Researcher*. 1968 to date.

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This research service reports and analyzes current issues of national significance. For convenient reference, the current weekly reports for one year are stored chronologically in a binder located near the Reference Desk. Each weekly report contains a brief summary on the front cover, a several page report, thorough footnotes, and a supplementary reading list.

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