

SOCIALS 11 – OUR DEVELOPING WORLD PATHFINDER

Resource	Link	Use	Comments
Langley Databases	http://wgss.ca/ Link through wgss.ca – library - home tab - to access	<p><i>World Book</i> – general information, primary sources.</p> <p>EBSCO: <i>Canadian Reference Centre</i> – general information.</p> <p><i>Canadian Points of Reference</i> – great! However, a bit tricky to access. Great for contemporary issues.</p>	<p>From home need to use password: langley/langley35.</p> <p>*Temporary access</p> <p>Trial: Sdlangley Trial</p>
Webpath Express	http://wgss.ca/ Link through wgss.ca – library - catalogue to access	An index of general websites on topics. Use grade and domain limiters for best results.	Link through wgss.ca – library - catalogue to access. No passwords needed.
Book Resources	http://wgss.ca/ Link through wgss.ca – library - catalogue to access	You may find non-fiction texts on your topic.	Don't forget the encyclopedia sets in the Reference area.
NationMaster	http://www.nationmaster.com/index.php	A massive central data source.	Allows you to graphically compare nations. NationMaster is a vast compilation of data from such sources as the CIA World Factbook, UN, and OECD. You can generate maps and graphs for many different statistics with ease.

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World Factbook	https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/	Updated weekly, sponsored by the CIA
Canadian International Development Agency	http://www.acdi-cida.gc.ca/home	Canada's lead agency for development assistance, look at the mission statements and project browser for ideas to support your own proposal.
UN Global Issues	http://www.un.org/en/globalissues/	Sponsored by the United Nations. This website offers an overview of some of these global issues, and links to other resources where you can get additional information.
Global Issues	http://www.globalissues.org/	Created by an individual, has indexed and cached a number of readable articles on global issues.

1. Figuring out who created a site often puts you into the role of a detective. Check out the "About Us" and "Home" section to find information. Do a search on the author or sponsor to establish credibility. Check the last line of the Home page by the last update information. Look at the domain name (.com .edu .org). Try visiting <http://whois.domaintools.com> or <http://www.easywhois.com> to obtain more information.
2. Remember that all your sources should have authority (or credibility), currency, and offer balance in their point of view (no bias). Just because something is on the Internet, doesn't mean it's a source to be trusted.

Additional Online Resources

Issues of Cycles

Country Case Study

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Search for UN Human Development Reports

<http://hdr.undp.org/en/countries/>

CIA WORLD FACTBOOK

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/>

FUND FOR PEACE

Search for Failed States Index 2013

<http://ffp.statesindex.org/rankings-2013-sortable>

Aid Proposal

What are key issues in the aid decision-making process?

- Clear mission objectives and goals
- Do the goals of the organization resonate with a lot of Canadians (or would the government take flak for funding it)
- Registered Canadian Charity (check with CRA)
- Are programs sustainable?
- Do goals align with the UN Millennium Development Goals?
- Is the organization fiscally responsible? What percentage of income goes toward projects vs. administrative overhead? Are financial statements available?
- Who else is financially supporting the organization?

Is Poverty in Canada

Searching for Poverty in Canada will return sites for a number of agencies. To get a well-rounded view, try looking for information from very different sources: The government, the UN, the media and organizations devoted to ending poverty.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT REPORTS

[**Federal Poverty Reduction Plan - Parlement du Canada**](#)

UNICEF

<http://www.unicef.ca/en/discover/article/unicef-report-card-10>

CBC

<http://www.cbc.ca/strombo/news/10-things-you-might-not-know-about-poverty-in-canada>

CANADA WITHOUT POVERTY

<http://www.cwp-csp.ca/poverty/just-the-facts/>

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