



Literary Criticism

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Selected JSC Reference Sources

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Expanded Academic ASAP (EAA) 1980—

EAA includes over 800 journal titles indexed in the *MLA International Bibliography*.

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Use the phrase "critical essay" in a keyword search of this interdisciplinary database to find periodical articles (many in full text) on your author. Example:

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The Literature Resource Center. This is, essentially, the online counterpart of the Gale Group of biographical resources listed below. Find author biographies and summaries of their principal works in a single search. Additionally, the LRC offers full text of 336 periodical titles indexed in the *MLA International Bibliography*. Check the list of titles at http://www.gale.cengage.com/tlist/lrc_mla.xls

In Print

Biography

Contemporary Authors (CA) 1962—2001 R/809.0092/C76lnr/vols.

Includes coverage of over 100,000 writers of various genres, including fiction, nonfiction, poetry, drama, television and motion picture screenwriters.

Emphasis is on living authors.

Contemporary Authors New Revision (CANR) 1981—2001 R/809.0092/C76lnr/vols.

Updates the information found in CA.

Cumulated Index to CA and CANR R/809.0092/C76lci

Dictionary of Literary Biography 1978—2001 R/810.9/D561/vols. *JSC owns selected titles.*

Contains substantial biographical information (with photographs and bibliographies) for authors, historians, biographers and scholars. International in scope.

Criticism

These sources provide in-depth analysis of authors' works:

Contemporary Literary Criticism (CLC) 1973—2001 R/809/L7124/vols.

Excerpts from criticism for authors who are still living or have died since 1999.

Literature Criticism from 1400-1800...1984—2001 R/809/L712/vols.

World-wide literature criticism for authors who lived in the 15th through 18th centuries, excluding Shakespeare.

Nineteenth Century Literature Criticism (NCLC) 1981—2001 R/809/L712/19th/vols.

Critical excerpts for authors who died in the 19th century.

Shakespearean Criticism (SC) R/822.33/Sh15sc/vols.

Subtitle: *Excerpts from the Criticism of William Shakespeare's Play*

and Poetry, from the First Published Appraisals to Current Evaluations.

Twentieth Century Literary Criticism (TCLC) 1978--2001 R/809/L712/20th/vols.

Writers who lived between 1900 and 1999.

Periodical Indexes

Book Review Digest R/050/B644/1905—1918; 1920-2007

A select number of reviewing journals are indexed by author, subject, or title of books published or distributed in the United States. Excerpts of reviews are included.

Book Review Index R/028/B644/1965—1985; 1992--2006

With coverage of over 500 periodicals (literary journals and electronic journals, as well as standard book reviewing sources), this is a more comprehensive source than *Book Review Digest*. The main arrangement is by author with a separate title index.

Humanities Index 1974--2006 (R/016.0013/H88/vols.)

This source indexes over 400 English language periodicals.

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