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Books in the Stacks & E-Books

- Click **Books/DVDs** to search for books by and about an author. Tip for searching: Click the drop down menu to search by title, author, etc.
- To view an **e-book**, click the title > scroll to bottom > click holdings link that says "RBC."

Print book in the STACKS!

Electronic book!

Item #5 can be retrieved from the 2nd floor of the library. Use the call number to find it.

Item #6 is an e-book that can only be accessed online.

Note: Click the "Google Preview" button to view part of the book online

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Ready Reference Books

- All literature books are located in "P" section of Ready Reference.
- Look at **Masterplots** to get a summary and short critical evaluation of the work.
- Use online **Gale Literary Index** (www.galenet.com/servlet/LitIndex) to search **Contemporary Literature Criticism, Twentieth Century Literature Criticism, and Novels (also Drama, Short Stories, Epics, Shakespeare) for Students.**

Literary Index

The Bluest Eye

Author: [Toni Morrison](#)

Gale series that include a discussion of this work:

Beacham's Encyclopedia of Popular Fiction: Analyses, volume(s) 1:442-50
 Black Literature Criticism, edition(s) 3:1426-29, 1431-34
 Contemporary Literary Criticism, volume(s) **4:366** 10:354-55; 22:314-15, 318-19; 55:196, 200, 205, 207-09; 81:217-20, 225-29, 233-39, 254, 256, 260, 262, 267-68; 87:263, 291-92, 294, 304; 173:271-369; 194:153, 157, 160, 165, 178, 189-91, 193, 195-96, 198, 204-6, 212, 214, 233-36, 243, 248-50
 Exploring Novels
 Literature and Its Times, volume(s) 4:49-57
 Novels for Students, volume(s) 1:66-79
 World Literature Criticism, edition(s) 4:2471-73, 2477

Write down each **volume number** (in bold) and the **page number** after it and go to the Ready Reference section to retrieve the books you need.

Note: We do not have copies of every book that appears on this list. We only have the ones listed in bold above.

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Databases: Literature Resources from Gale & LION

- Find journal articles of literary criticism on most novels.
- Library Home Page > [Articles](#) > [English & Literature](#) > [Literature Resources from Gale](#)
- Library Home Page > [Articles](#) > [English & Literature](#) > [LION \(Literature Online\)](#)

Enter the title of your work in the 2nd text box and select "Person-By or About" and enter the author in the 3rd text box.

Click **Search** to view the results.

Click different "Content Types" to view results.

You can also search within results to further narrow results.

How to Search LION:

1. Enter title of novel and author's name in search box.
2. Click "View more results for criticism."

ProQuest Literature Online

- 1 Stanton, David M: "Rediscovering John Gardner" *Poets & Writers* (33:1) Jan/Feb 2005. 23-28. (2005)
[Citation](#) [Full text](#) [Full Text - PDF](#)
- 2 **MLAIB** Page, Jennifer: "Spinning a Skin: Speech and Monstrous Identity in John Gardner's *Grendel*" *In* (pp. 45-57) DeVine, Christine (ed. and introd.) Hendry, Marie (ed.) Anderson, Amanda (ed.) Page, Jennifer (ed.) Roy, Jennifer (ed.), *Turning Points and Transformations: Essays on Language, Literature and Culture* Newcastle upon Tyne, England: Cambridge Scholars, 2011. ix, 196 pp.(). (2011)
[Citation](#)
- 3 **MLAIB** Swinford, Dean: "Some Bastlike Fungus: The Natural and Animal in John Gardner's *Grendel*" *Lit: Literature Interpretation Theory*, (22:4), 2011, 323-335. . (2011)
[Citation](#)

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The New York Times Featured Authors

- Access author biographies, interviews, reviews, and obituaries from *The New York Times*. Under **Get Help** click on [Research Guides](#) > [New York Times Featured Authors](#). Note: Registration (it's free) is required.

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Interlibrary Loan

- Search for/request books and articles from libraries all over Virginia in **WorldCat**. From library homepage, click on [Interlibrary Loan](#) > [WorldCat](#)
- Click the **Libraries Worldwide** link to verify that the book you are interested in is owned by a college/university library in Virginia. Then **Use ILL to borrow this item from another library**. Fill out the requested information.
- If you can't find the item in WorldCat, **use the form on the Interlibrary Loan page**.

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