

1. **Background – These will give you background information on your topic.**
 - **World Book Encyclopedia** (Curriculum Reference 031 W927 2013)
Look up your topic in the index, volume 22.
 - **Childcraft: The How and Why Library** (Curriculum Reference 031 C536)
Look up your topic in the index, volume 15.
 - **K-12 Databases**
Available on the CMC website (mnstate.edu/cmc/)
Search **Kids InfoBits** for background information.

2. **Curriculum Bulletins/ Teaching Activity Books**
 - **MnPALS search.** (FIND BOOKS on library web page)
Search these as a “subject” for best results.
 - ✓ Education, Preschool—Activity programs
 - ✓ Early childhood education—Activity programs

 - **Curriculum Bulletins/Activity Books and Textbooks**
Browse curriculum bulletins/activity books and textbooks in the CMC with the call numbers 372.21 or 372.218. This is the call number for Early Childhood Education.

3. **Picture Books and Informational Books**
 - **MnPALS search.** (FIND BOOKS on library web page)
To search for easy/picture books
 - ✓ **Enter your topic.** Limit to **Curriculum Easy** under “Collection.”To search for informational books (includes nonfiction, songs, poetry, and folklore)
 - ✓ **Enter your topic.** Limit to **Curriculum Nonfiction** under “Collection.”

4. **Big Books – oversize books to read aloud to an entire class**
 - **MnPALS search.** (FIND BOOKS on library web page)
To search for big books
 - ✓ **Enter your topic.** Limit to **Curriculum Big Books** under “Collection.”
 - ✓ Or simply browse the **Big Book** bins in the CMC.

5. **Poetry – children’s poetry on specific topics**
 - **MnPALS search.** (FIND BOOKS on library web page)
 - ✓ **Enter your topic** plus “**POETRY.**” Limit to **Curriculum Nonfiction** under “Collection.”

 - **For hard to find poetry or specific poems, use the poetry indexes in CMC**
 - ✓ **Children's poetry indexes** (Curriculum Reference 808.81) to find poetry on specific topics.

6. Children's Songs and Music – children's music and songs on specific topics

- **MnPALS search.** (FIND BOOKS on library web page)
 - **Enter name of song.** Limit to **Compact Disc** under "Format" or limit to **Curriculum Audio** under "Collection."
- **For collections of children's songs and music, search by "Subject" for:**
 - ✓ Children's songs
 - ✓ Games with music
 - ✓ Humorous songs
 - ✓ School music
 - ✓ Singing games

For hard to find songs, use these song indexes in the CMC

- ***Index to Children's Songs*** (Curriculum Reference 016.7846 P485i) to find songs in books. See "Broad Topic Guide" beginning on page 163.
- ***Children's Song Index*** (Curriculum Reference 016.7846 C536) or ***Children's Jukebox*** (Curriculum Reference. 016.7842 R357c) for songs on CD.

7. Puppets/Puppetry/Storytelling

- **MnPALS search.** (FIND BOOKS on library web page)
 - ✓ To find actual puppets, enter "PUPPETS." Limit to **Curriculum Kits** under "Collection."
 - ✓ To find books on making puppets and puppet plays, enter "PUPPET#."
 - ✓ For books about storytelling, enter "STORYTELLING."

8. Other Media Materials including Manipulatives

- **MnPALS search.** (FIND BOOKS on library web page)
 - ✓ **Enter your topic.** Limit to **Curriculum Kits** or **Curriculum Media** under "Collection."