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French Revolution

(1789-1799)

Student Research Guide

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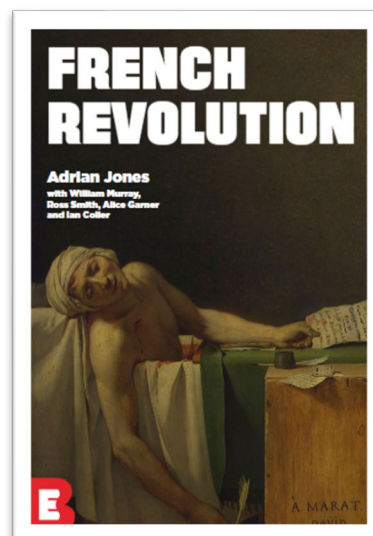
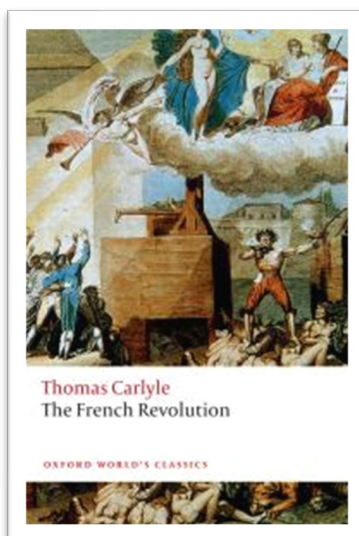
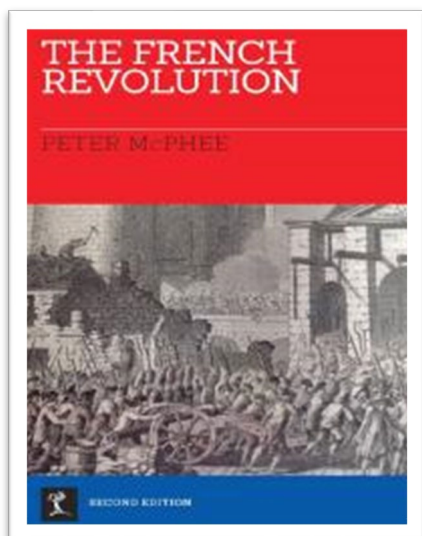
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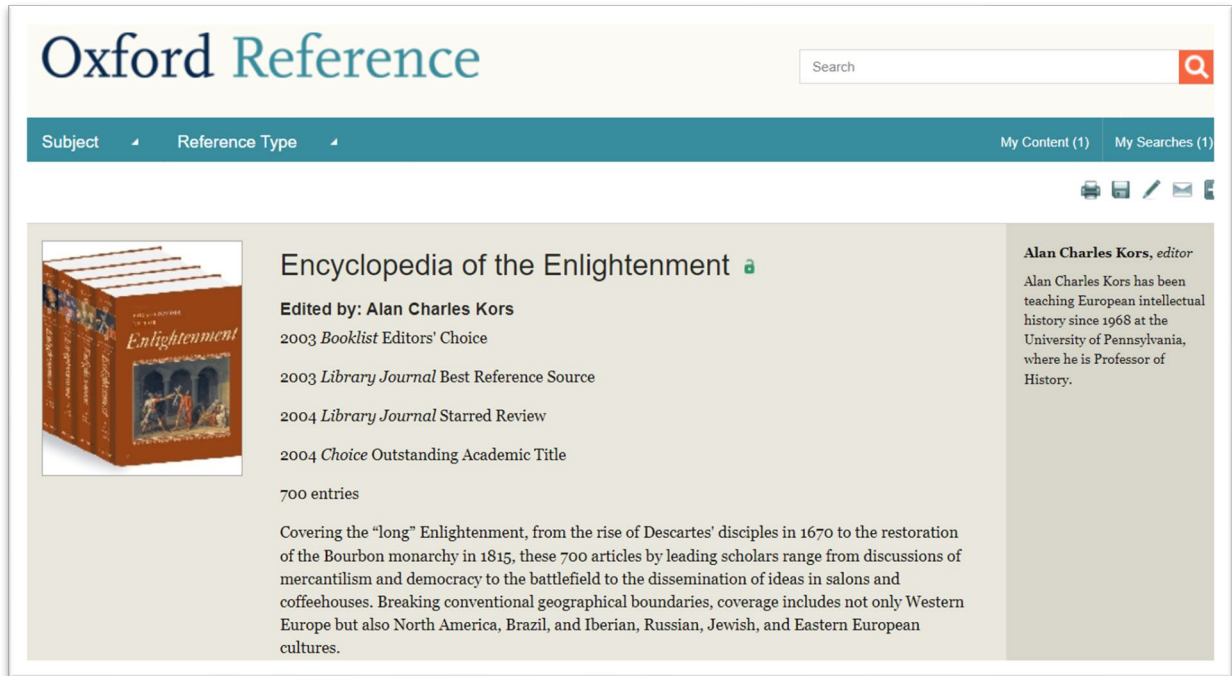
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[Oxford Reference](#) spans 25 different subject areas, bringing together 2 million digitised entries across Oxford University Press's dictionaries, companions, and encyclopedias.



The screenshot shows the Oxford Reference website interface. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation tabs for 'Subject' and 'Reference Type'. Below the navigation, there are icons for printing, downloading, and sharing. The main content area features a book cover for 'Encyclopedia of the Enlightenment' edited by Alan Charles Kors. The cover is orange and white with a classical painting on the front. To the right of the cover, the title 'Encyclopedia of the Enlightenment' is displayed in a large, serif font. Below the title, it lists the editor and several awards: '2003 Booklist Editors' Choice', '2003 Library Journal Best Reference Source', '2004 Library Journal Starred Review', and '2004 Choice Outstanding Academic Title'. It also states '700 entries'. A short description follows, mentioning the 'long' Enlightenment from 1670 to 1815. On the far right, a bio for Alan Charles Kors is provided, noting his position at the University of Pennsylvania.

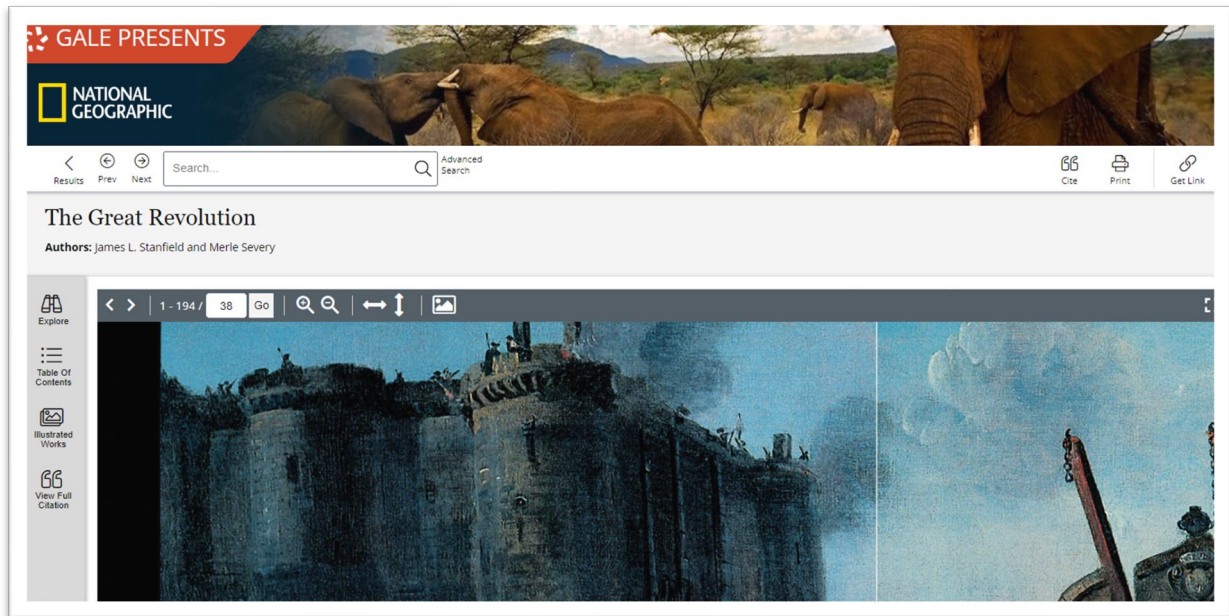
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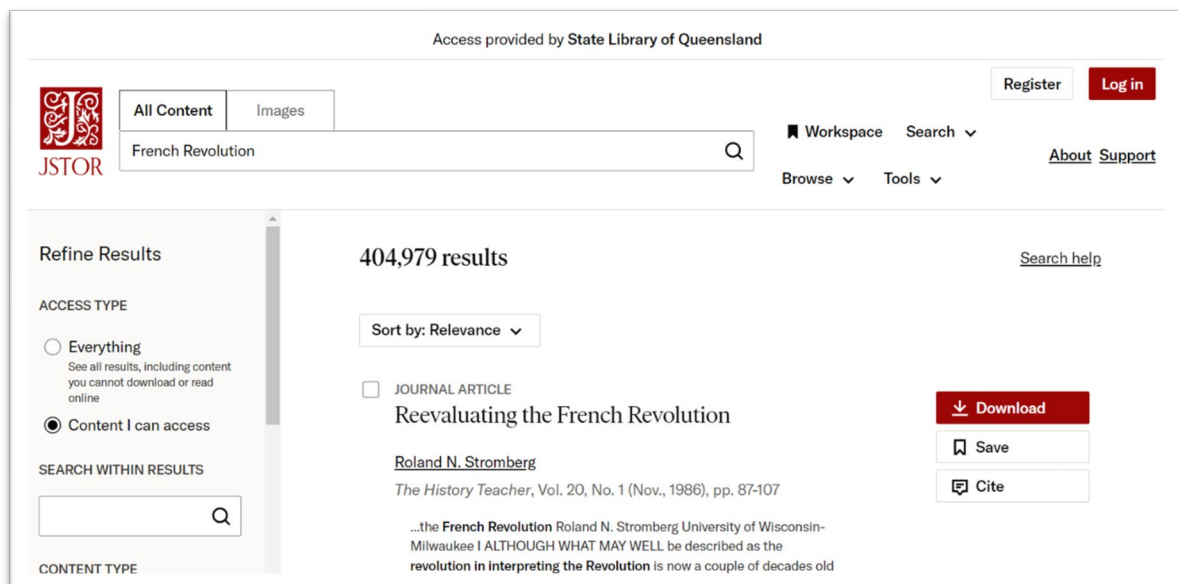
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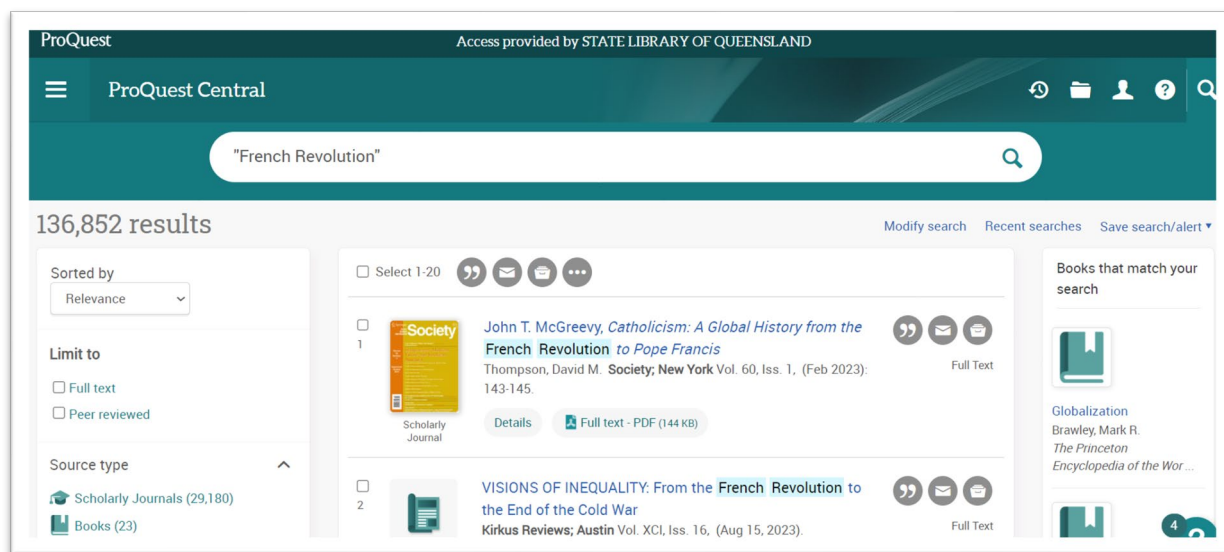


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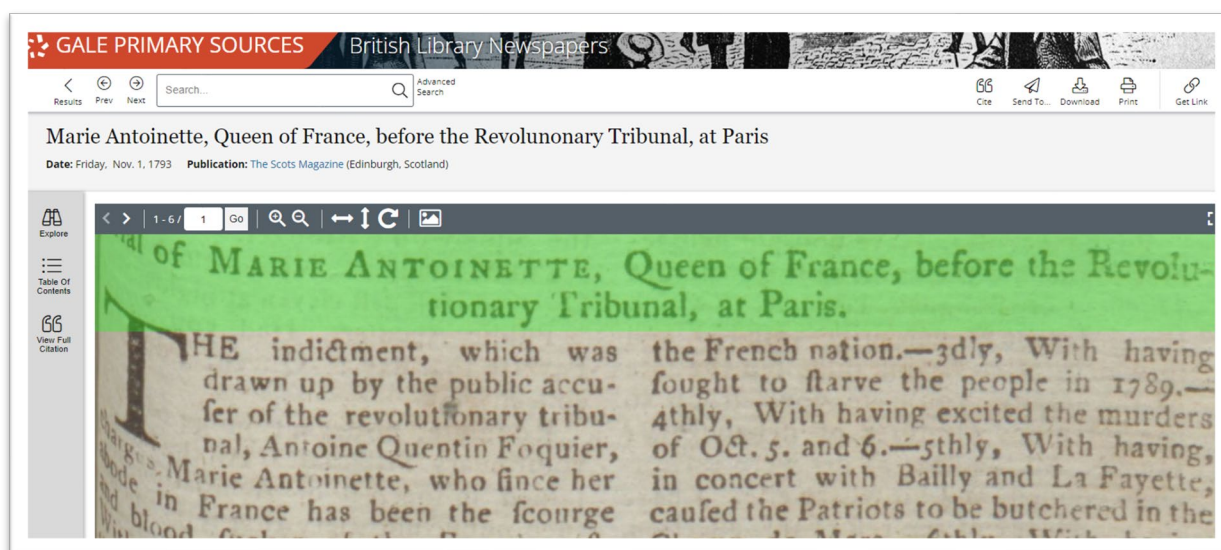


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