Today, more than ever, public libraries are a hub of community activity. Now, the Gale In Context family of online portals helps meet the needs of your community with remarkable, media-rich resources that provide homework help, promote lifelong learning and enhance information literacy.

Hundreds of portal pages are curated by editors who hand-select reference results, images and more. Within each portal, topic overviews commissioned by subject-area experts provide patrons with contextual information critical to understanding each topic.

Additionally, Gale In Context resources keep your library relevant by delivering authoritative content with a Web-like functionality that attracts and motivates patrons of all skill levels.

- **Scope and depth**
  
  From immigration to stem cells to texting-while-driving, Opposing Viewpoints in Context delivers 13,000+ pro/con views, 1,000+ court case overviews, and thousands more topic overviews, biographies and profiles. This relevant content helps patrons understand and evaluate hot debate topics.

- **Authoritative content**
  
  - Information Plus: Immigration and Illegal Aliens: Burden or Blessing?
  - Opposing Viewpoints: Debt
  - Drugs and Controlled Substances: Information for Students
  - Current Controversies: Conserving the Environment
  - And hundreds more titles

- **Engage patrons with multimedia**
  
  - Video, podcasts and streaming audio
  - Easy-to-search image galleries
  - National and global news sources
  - Expert-chosen full-text articles
  - Interactive maps

**Spotlight feature: Pro/Con Viewpoints**

Opposing Viewpoints in Context brings balance and perspective to every controversy using targeted arguments from recognized subject-matter experts and top journalistic sources.
Premier portals support 21st century learning

Gale In Context is the result of patron input and a study of research processes. Our findings revealed that patrons prefer resources that combine web-like functionality with high-quality information. To help patrons streamline their efforts and identify the most relevant content, we created eye-catching, engaging topic pages that seamlessly integrate authoritative reference from Gale and its partners with media-rich, curriculum-aligned content that spans core subjects and 21st century themes like civic literacy, health literacy and global awareness.

Gale In Context resources:

- Engage and motivate patrons with a web-like experience that promotes information discovery
- Include tools to support differentiated learning and diverse patron populations
- Deliver helpful topic pages and enhanced search results to streamline the research process

Technology enhances the learning experience

Gale In Context knowledge portals deliver authoritative content complemented by intuitive features:

- Web-like interface design and intuitive navigation with thousands of portal pages to aid content discovery
- Media-rich content – images, audio clips, video, maps and interactive resources – enhance patrons’ ability to evaluate and apply information
- ReadSpeaker text-to-speech technology and ability to adjust font size support struggling readers, the elderly and the visually impaired
- Document translator instantly converts any document into French, Spanish, Japanese, German, Italian, Portuguese, Korean and simplified Chinese – ideal for libraries serving diverse communities
- Customizable RSS feeds deliver information automatically to patrons
- Web 2.0 sharing allows linking through social networks and bookmarking tools
- Print, e-mail, download and bookmark tools help patrons tailor information to their needs
- Citation tools are mapped to MLA7 and APA6 standards