

## Power of POWER

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In today's society, we expect to be able to find information instantaneously. How often do you or your child have a question about something or need to research a topic? For many of us the answer is easy, just Google it! However, doing a Google search is not always the most effective way to get your answer!

At your child's and your fingertips is a powerful resource known as *POWER Library*. By typing in [www.powerlibrary.org](http://www.powerlibrary.org), you can chat with a librarian, utilize E-resources, or explore the digitized documents and photographs associated with Pennsylvania. This is a service of Pennsylvania's public libraries, school libraries, and the State Library. To access these resources from home all you need is a public library card or an electronic card that is available on the site by going to <https://powerlibrary.auto-graphics.com>

Available resources are:

- **AP Images** - a primary source database from the Associated Press including photographs, news clips, graphics, and news stories.
- **Auto Repair Reference Center** - comprehensive collection of automobile information.
- **BookFlix** - an online resource for preK to 3 that includes video related to nonfiction eBooks.
- **Business Source** - scholarly business e-resource of magazines and journals.
- **Consumer Health Complete** - a resource that provides information related to health-topics.
- **Contemporary Authors** - a source of biographical and bibliographic information about influential authors.
- **CyberSmarts** - an e-book collection targeted for students in grade 3-6 addressing online safety issues.
- **eBooks from EBSCO** - a collection of eBook titles.
- **Greenfile** - an e-resource that connects environment and agriculture, education, law, health and technology.
- **Kids Search** - resources targeted for grades K-8.
- **MasterFILE (EBSCO)** - a multidisciplinary e-resource of reference resources, magazines and journals.
- **Middle Search** - resources targeted for middle school students.
- **Newspaper Source** - a comprehensive source of full-text newspapers.
- **Primary Search** and **Searchasaurus** - resources targeted for elementary school students.
- **SIRS Discoverer** - a general reference database for elementary and middle school students.
- **Professional Resources** - which includes LISTA (Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts) and Teacher Reference Center.

Even with the powerful resources available, your child and you might need some help in obtaining your answer so you can use Chat with librarian. A librarian is available 24/7 to provide an answer or point you in the right direction. As a resident of Pennsylvania, you have access to these resources and services. Use the power of *POWER Library*!