



# Literature Resource Center

## A Step-by-Step Guide to Finding Literary Criticism

**Literature Resource Center** is an online database that provides direct access to biographies, literary criticism, bibliographies, work overviews, websites, and additional resources on many authors and their works.

### How to Access the Literature Resource Center

1. Go to the Blinn College Library Homepage: [www.blinn.edu/library](http://www.blinn.edu/library)
2. Select "Journal, Magazine, & Newspaper Articles"
3. Select "A - Z List of Indexes"
4. Select "Literature Resource Center." If you are accessing this database from off campus you will be prompted to enter a user name (student ID #) and password (birth date in this format: yyyymmdd).

### How to Search for Literary Criticism

**Step One:** Select the "Advanced" option.

Author Search

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**Step Two:** Type the name of the author in one of the search boxes. To narrow your search to a particular work by that author, type the name of the work into the second search box, selecting the "Title—all words" option from the drop down menu. Click on "Search."

Advanced Search

Enter search term(s) and select index type.  
Indicate choice of Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT).

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Select "Title-all words" from the drop down menu.

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**Step Three:** Select the “Literary Criticism, Articles and Work Overview Tab.” Works of criticism will be listed under the green “Literary Criticism” and “Articles” sub tabs. Click on either of these sub tabs to view a list of article citations.



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- Steinbeck, John (Ernst)  
[Benson, Jackson J., “John Steinbeck: Novelist as Scientist,” in \*Novel: A Forum on Fiction\*, Spring, 1977, pp. 248–64. Reproduced by permission. Reproduced in \*Contemporary Literary Criticism-Select\*.](#)
- Steinbeck, John (Ernst)  
[McCarthy, Paul, in his \*John Steinbeck\*, Ungar, 1980, 163 p. Reproduced by permission. Reproduced in \*Contemporary Literary Criticism-Select\*.](#)

**Step Four:** By clicking on the blue, hyperlinked citations, you will be able to view the complete text of the articles. From this screen, you will also have the options of printing the article or sending it to yourself via email. Look for the “Print” and “Email” icons on the upper left side of the screen.

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Literary Criticism Articles Work Overviews

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## John Steinbeck: Novelist as Scientist

**Critic:** Jackson J. Benson  
**Source:** *Novel: A Forum on Fiction*, Spring, 1977, pp. 248–64. Reproduced by permission  
**Criticism about:** John (Ernst) Steinbeck (1902-1968), **also known as:** John Steinbeck, John Ernst Steinbeck, Amnesia Glasscock

**Nationality:** American

The fiction of John Steinbeck has had a special appeal to the scientist, for of all the major American writers of fiction in this century alone has had an abiding interest in natural science and brought that interest to his writing. ... [If] Steinbeck does have a claim on the future of future generations of readers, much of that claim will be based on his concern with science, since he alone, among American no-

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