

Research Journal

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Having some trouble deciding what to research, I don't want to do one of the really common topics like abortion or euthanasia but it is proving difficult to find good articles on other topics.

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Possible topics:

- Legalization of Marijuana
- Teen Incarceration
- Physics (when to stop)
- Ethics in Parenting
- Recreational Drug Use!!!!

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- I think I've stumbled upon an interesting topic

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Goals:

1. Find good sources
2. Read them
3. Write Annotated Bib
4. Write Research Prop

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Having second thoughts about my topic

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I was extremely skeptical about my topic because I thought I wouldn't be able to find good sources. However, I found two good articles on recreational drug use. I have also just found a book that seems to be tailored specifically to my topic. However, I found it on the internet and will probably have to order it because I don't think that it is in the library.

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I now have 3 sources and about three quarters of my proposal

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Factors that determine the morality of drug use

- Time
- Place
- Culture
- Social Climate
- Drug in question
- Method of use
- Local laws
- Reason for using the drug

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Drugs to examine

- Amphetamines
- Opiates
- Marijuana
- Alcohol
- Pharmaceuticals
- Cocaine

AHHHHH this sucks!!!

I'm having trouble finding scholarly sources and I'm really nervous that my citations aren't correct.

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Journal Article: [EBSCO Host](#)

Cohen, Randy. "Dutch Treat?" New York times Magazine. (2/8/2009) pg. 26

This article is about a family that has planned a trip to Amsterdam where smoking marijuana is legal. The mother wonders if she should allow her 18 year old son to partake in these activities and if it is ethical just because it is legal. As I have discussed previously, this is an area of great interest to me. It also ties in well with some of my other sources such as the laws on the United States drug policy. Reading this article has also brought the question of age to my attention in considering what level of drug use is ethical. The audience of this article is largely recreational, however, with or without intending it, its author has brought forth some very interesting issue on the topic of ethics, morality and legality. I am slightly concerned about the credibility of this source because it is from a magazine. However it is the nature of the case study and not necessarily it empirical content that I am concerned with so it may qualify as a legitimate source.

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rec-re-a-tion [rek-ree-ey-shuhn] [Show IPA](#)

—noun

1. refreshment by means of some pastime, agreeable exercise, or the like.
2. a pastime, diversion, exercise, or other resource affording relaxation and enjoyment.

Origin:

1350–1400; ME *recreacioun* (< MF recreation) < L *recreātiōn-* (s. of *recreātiō*) restoration, recovery, equiv. to *recreāt(us)* (see recreate) + *-iōn-* -ion

Related forms:

rec-re-a-tion-al, rec-re-a-to-ry [rek-ree-uh-tawr-ee, -tohr-ee] [Show IPA](#),
—adjective

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a-buse [v. *uh-byooz*; n. *uh-byoos*] [Show IPA](#) verb, a-bused, a-bus-ing,
noun

—verb (used with object)

1. to use wrongly or improperly; misuse: *to abuse one's authority*.
2. to treat in a harmful, injurious, or offensive way: *to abuse a horse*; *to abuse one's eyesight*.
3. to speak insultingly, harshly, and unjustly to or about; revile; malign.
4. to commit sexual assault upon.
5. *Obsolete.* to deceive or mislead.

3/23/09

In the library, and having some trouble ensuring that I will have sources by the time the rough draft is due.

At least one, if not 2 of the books that I need, I will either need to find online copies or buy.

Just found that both books I need are in the library, but I'm in a time crunch the next few days so we will see how that goes.

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Library Conference

To do list:

- Incorporate Pinker
- Restructure draft so that I have Pinker or Appiah along with two authors in each section (this should make at least 4 sections all together)
- Add quotes for 7-8 authors

New Source

Oxford, May 11, 2006

Oxford Coordinator: Hugh M Cartwright

<http://cartwright.chem.ox.ac.uk/hsci/index.html>

Comenius - European Cooperation on School Education

Hands-on Science (H-Sci) Oxford, U.K.

Fix Pinker Bibliography

Merriam-Webster, Inc. Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary. 11th ed. Springfield, Mass.: Merriam-Webster, Inc., 2003.

Definitions

"Hands-on-Science: Comenius project. Oxford University." Dr Hugh Cartwright - Research, Teaching, Safety, CoLoS. 02 May 2009

<<http://cartwright.chem.ox.ac.uk/hsci/index.html>>.

Case Study/instance

This article raises questions of legality

Cohen, Randy. "Dutch Treat?" New York Times Magazine. (2/8/2009) pg. 26