Need some background or historical perspective on a topic covered in this class? Did something pique your interest, and you would like to learn more about it? The following print and online resources may be helpful. For this class and this guide, we'll mainly focus on print and electronic reference and book-type sources.

Encyclopedia of Religion  REF BL 31 .E46 2005 (Also available online in Gale Virtual Reference Library)
Encyclopedia of the Renaissance  REF CB 361 .E59 (also available online in Credo)
Berkshire Encyclopedia of World History  REF D 23 .B45 2005
Oxford Dictionary of the Middle Ages  REF D 114 .O94 2000
Great Events from History: The Middle Ages 477 – 1453  REF D 119 .G74 2005
Civilization of the Ancient Near East  REF DS 57 .C55 1995
Encyclopedia of Southeast Asia  REF DS 524 .S68 2004
Africana  REF DT 18 .A37435 2005
The Pacific Islands: An Encyclopedia  REF DU 17 .P3 2000
Biography in Context
Credo
Gale Virtual Reference Library
Oxford Reference Online

Next, you could look (or the librarian will help you look) in the library catalog
You can find the catalog on the library home page, library.ehc.edu.
Below is part of a results list of a subject search on Celts. Notice that there are print books, e-books, and DVDs. Our catalog contains all formats of materials in Kelly Library; also it is a shared catalog with King University, Washington Co. (VA) Public Library, and Tazewell Co. (VA) Public Library.  

If any of these title intrigues you, just click on it to view the whole record. Let’s look at Atlas of the Celtic World:

The full record gives you more information about the book than the brief info in the results list. Then you can proceed to its location on the library shelves. 

You might wonder about the strange call numbers—they don’t look like the call numbers you are used to seeing in your high school or public library. This is the Library of Congress system, and you will get more information about this in your Transitions I, English 100, and English 101 classes. If you would like to see what subject areas the letters in the call numbers represent, here is a link to a general outline of the Library of Congress system: http://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpso/lcco/. Also, here is a link to a tutorial (http://uri.libguides.com/c.php?q=42388&p=268465) at the University of Rhode Island that shows you how to read the call numbers. You will also receive a handout that explains this call number system. And of course, the circulation staff and librarians will be happy to assist you if you need help finding a book!
FINDING PERIODICAL ARTICLES IN DATABASES

We won't get too deeply into this, but Kelly Library has many periodical databases that contain articles in popular magazines and scholarly journals on world history topics. Some of them to keep in mind are: *Academic Source Complete*, *America: History & Life*, *Historical Abstracts*, *JSTOR*, and *Project Muse*. If you would like to find some periodical articles on a world history topic, please speak with a librarian. All of these databases may be accessed on the *A – Z Databases* link on the library main page. Below is a sample search on the ancient African city of *Timbuktu* and *history* in *Academic Search Complete*.

There are over 70 articles, and the first item is a long, 13-page article in the scholarly journal *Antiquity*. It's full-text, too.

One last reminder: if you are not finding the information you need, please speak with a librarian. We're here to help you find material for your assignments.