University Writing Program
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Essay: Lethem, Jonathan. “Speak, Hoyt-Schermerhorn”

Background Information

Oxford Reference Online
http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?clio3311290
Hundreds of authoritative encyclopedias and subject dictionaries

Biography Resource Center
http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?AQX5846

Books

CLIO, Columbia’s catalog
http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?AMS3996
Use Guided Search, truncation.
Examples: subject= subways
brooklyn new york
Subway stations

Jackson, Kenneth. Encyclopedia of New York City
At the Butler Reference Desk

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Butler Reference Room, 301

Finding a film in CLIO:
Do a Basic search on Title, choose Video Recordings from Quick Limit menu
(below search box)
Drop initial articles: "the, a, an" when searching titles, e.g. Warriors
Request DVDs from the Butler Reserves Desk. DVDs do not circulate. You can
watch them in the Media Center, across from the Reserves Desk or on your laptop.

Articles

ProQuest
http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?ANH8357
Interdisciplinary, good for full-text American newspapers

Sociological Abstracts
http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?ATG2613
Use this database platform to search multiple databases, including Communication Studies.

America: History and Life
http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?APE4503

Other Resources for New York City History:
CU’s NYC History Subject Guide
New York Public Library
http://www.nypl.org
MTA Transit Museum
http://www.mta.info/mta/museum/index.html