

Paper Due Friday March 13th via Canvas. 25% of grade. Can be turned in early!

One of the big themes of this course has been the continued debates in contemporary British society over the legacy of the British Empire and how to deal with its repercussions. Think the issues over the camps in Kenya and reparations for the Mau Mau victims in Elkins as an example. One big part of those debates has been the availability of historical documentation and evidence of what happened, who has access to that evidence, and how the government has hidden or revealed those documents. Thus this assignment asks you to gather evidence on an issue both at the time of a major event, and in more recent British society through the press.

You are to prepare a **typed, footnoted, double-spaced, 6-7 page paper**, in which you identify **at least 5** historical sources and **3** contemporary ones and explain how you would use them to write a historical research paper on the topic.

Please focus on post 1850, either Africa, India, or Australasia.

First go to the library website and hit the Databases A-Z link. Find the below databases and look for something on your topic, if you have picked one already. Alternatively, you might just go to the Empire Online and start browsing...if I were you I'd narrow it down by region first (click on the buttons on the left) and years. See what is there that might interest you. You can also narrow the search by collection/theme. Peggy Keeran peggy.keeran@du.edu can help you in the library.

Empire Online <http://libguides.du.edu/az.php?a=e> **Click on Empire Online British and Irish Women's Letters and Diaries**

Spans more than 400 years of personal writings, bringing together the voices of women from England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales.

British Library Newspapers, 1732-1950

Alternative Name(s) & Keywords: 19th Century British Newspapers

More than 160 regional and local newspapers, held by the British Library, published in Britain between the mid-eighteenth- mid-twentieth centuries.

British Online Archives

Documents on British Foreign Policy Overseas

British Periodicals

Provides access to the searchable full text of hundreds of periodicals from the late seventeenth century to mid twentieth, comprising millions of high-resolution facsimile page images.

This is a research proposal paper, identifying the sources you would use and what you hope they reveal. Along with how this the more modern articles reveal the significance of the issue you are investigating.

Questions to address in your paper:

Can you find enough documentation in the archives available to you to write a good historical paper on the topic?

Of the sources you are including, what do they reveal about the topic?

What aspect of the event or issue are not covered in these databases?

How has this issue resonated in modern British society and/or the place under discussion?

Please remember, you are making **an argument**. Use complete sentences and organize your paper. Please **PROOFREAD** your work, I cannot evaluate and award your great ideas and argument if I cannot understand what you are trying to say! I am happy to go over an early draft with you.

Use footnotes, and the Turabian/Chicago Manual of Style to cite your sources and where they can be found. 12 point Times New Roman Font, double spaced, standard 1" margins.

The Indian "Mutiny" of 1857 Women's Treatment in Africa (African or British) Imperial Troops in WWI
Boer War Camps Mau Mau Uprising in Kenya Indian Labor in Africa and migration to UK
Medical contributions of Empire Resource exploitation in Africa Independence movements in Africa
Rhodesian crisis Kikuyu crisis Amritsar Massacre 1919 Gallipoli Tasmanian genocide
Repatriation of artifacts (Elgin Marbles) Gen. Gordon at Khartoum