Maine Pathfinder

WHERE TO FIND   INFO ABOUT MAINE

MAINE WAS FOUNDED IN 1820 AND BECAME THE 23RD STATE TO JOIN THE UNION. MAINE IS KNOWN AS VACA-TIONLAND AND THE PINE TREE STATE.
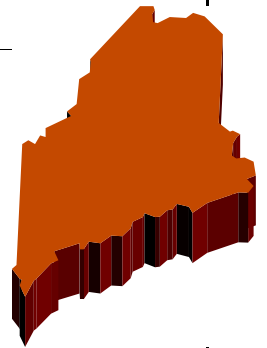
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HERE YOU WILL FIND LOTS OF PLACES TO LOOK FOR INFORMATION ABOUT MAINE— BOOKS AND WEBSITES TO READ, DATABASES TO SEARCH, AND HINTS ON WHAT WORDS TO TRY WHEN YOU ARE SEARCHING.

BOOKS HERE IN THE LIBRARY

These books are all located in the Children's Room in the nonfiction section.

If you just want to browse for something that catches your eye, try going to the F 4 –29 section. We use the Library of Congress system so if you need help finding the right area, just ask at the desk!

These you can take out:

Maine (JUV F 19.3 .H37 1989)

Maine (JUV F 19.3 .H445 2008)

Samantha Smith, Young Ambassador (JUV CT 275 .S5525 M37 1987)

Abbie Burgess: Lighthouse Heroine (JUV F 24 .J6 1987)

Lost on a Mountain in Maine (JUV F 27 .P5 F45 1992)

Joshua Chamberlain and the American Civil War (JUV E 467.1 .C47 K46 2007)

Acadia National Park (JUV F 27 .M9 F28 1998)

Into the Deep Forest (JUV F 27 .P5 M87 1995)

A Year on Monhegan Island (JUV F 29 .M7 D43 1995)

So You Think You Know Maine (JUV F 19 .R65 1984)

Margaret Chase Smith: A Woman for President (JUV E 748 .S667 P58 2008)

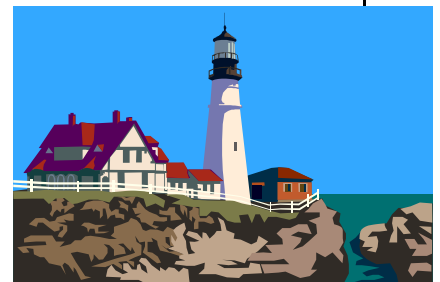Highlights of Margaret Chase Smith's Life (JUV E 748 .S667 H53 1994)

These you can use in the library:

World Book (JUV REF AE 5.W55 2010 V. 13)

Lands and Peoples (JUV REF GB 58.L36 2003 V. 5)

Maine (JUV REF F 19.3.K46 1999)

Facts About the States (JUV REF E 180.K4 1990)

DATABASES

These databases can be accessed in the library or at home. Just log onto the library website and find on the left-hand side where it says "Research it Online." Click there and then click on the Marvel! Icon. There you will find an alphabetized list of databases that you can use for research. We suggest starting with the ones below!

Britannica Online School Edition (K-12)
Britannica Online School Edition gives teachers and students instant access to four complete encyclopedias that ensure consistency with classroom topics and age-appropriate language. Online learning materials developed by teachers and curriculum experts, as well as a dictionary, thesaurus, Internet guide, and atlas.

Funk and Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia
Provides over 25,000 encyclopedic entries. Searchable by subject or keywords within the entry.

Kids Search
Kids Search is EBSCO's interface designed for younger students. It provides an easy-to-use, graphically appealing interface to search Primary Search, Middle Search Plus, Funk & Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia, and EBSCO Animals. Academic Search Premier and ERIC are also available through the Teacher Resources link.

Maine Newsstand
Index to and full text coverage of five Maine newspapers. Database includes coverage of the Bangor Daily News (12/3/92-present), the Kennebec Journal (Augusta) (6/11/93-present), the Portland Press Herald (10/30/95-present), Lewiston Sun Journal (2006-present) and the Central Maine Morning Sentinel (Waterville) (8/12/93-present). Selected business coverage of the Maine Times (2/4/94-4/25/02) is also included. Updated daily.

Search Terms

In the catalog or in some databases, you can search by subject heading. Try these!
Maine
Maine—Biography
Maine—Biography—Juvenile Literature

Most of the time you will just search using key words or phrases. Give these a shot!

Maine	Acadia National Park
Maine history	Maine lighthouses
Casco Bay	Mount Katahdin

WEBSITES

IPL STATELY KNOWEDGE <http://www.ipl.org/div/stateknow/me1.html>
        Facts about Maine and ideas on where else to look!
MAINE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR KIDS <http://www.state.me.us/sos/kids/>
        Facts, timelines, photos and games, all about Maine!
50STATES.COM: MAINE <http://www.50states.com/maine.htm >
        Lots and lots of basic facts about Maine and links to more info!
FED STATS: MAINE <http://www.fedstats.gov/qf/states/23000.html>
        Census information for the state and for each county!