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**Academic Search Complete** (EBSCO)
Comprehensive scholarly, multi-disciplinary full-text database, with full-text periodicals, and peer-reviewed journals.

**Gale Power Search**
Comprehensive access to authoritative reference, periodical, and primary source information.

**Opposing Viewpoints** (Gale)
Information and opinions on today's hottest social issues. Viewpoint articles, topic overviews, full-text magazines, academic journals, news articles, primary source documents.

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