LITERARY CRITICISM: Web Sources
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The Daytona State College Library provides a number of online databases that can assist
students in conducting literary criticism research. These databases include full text articles of
criticism from standard reference works as well as lists of additional articles and
recommended websites. These databases can be accessed off campus via the Internet at the
following URL address:

http://www.DaytonaState.edu/library

1. At the Daytona State College Library Homepage, click on the Find a Book, E-book, or
   Article link at the top of the screen.

2. The first thing you should do is log into the system. This will allow you to access e-books
   and full-text articles. Click on the login link in the upper right hand corner of the screen.
   Log in using your Student ID as your Borrower ID and the last four digits of your
   Social Security Number as your PIN.

3. At the top of the screen, click on Databases by Subject.

4. Click on the Literature category.

5. The two databases which will be most helpful to you are Literary Reference
   Center Plus (EBSCO) and Literature Resources from Gale. You should search
   both of these databases. Choose the database by clicking on the name.

6. Click Connect to Database on the next screen.

7. Type in the title of your work (short story, poem, etc.) in the Search Box. If you
   story has a common or one-word title, you might want to also include your author’s
   name in the search.

8. Use the tabs at the top of the results list to narrow your search to biographical or
   critical articles about your author. These full text articles can be e-mailed, printed,
   or saved.

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