

Conducting Country Research and Exploring Government Publications

Choose a country: _____

Search the **Library Catalog** for a book on your country. Try a subject or word search.

What is the title? _____

Who is the author? _____

Where is the book located? _____

What is the call number? _____

Is it available for check out? _____

Name 2 of the subjects for this book: _____

Find your country in the **Country Watch** database.

What is the capital? _____

What is the largest city? _____

What is the official language? _____

Are there other languages? _____

What are some examples of cultural etiquette? _____

Find an article in **Academic Search** on your country. Write down the citation information.

Title _____

Author _____

Journal Title _____

Volume, Issue _____

Date _____

Pages _____

Find your country at the **U.S. State Department** government database : <http://www.state.gov>
Click on "Country Background Notes"

What is your country's official name? _____

What are the people called? _____

Now that you have navigation skills down, let's take your research a step further. Compare the information you found about your country in Country Watch with the information on the State Department's website.

Do you see any similarities? _____

Do you see any differences? Is there additional information or information that appears to be missing from either sources?

Please explain the value of using each resource in your academic research. Do you think both resources have value? Would you favor one source over the other? Why?
