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Busy parents are often overwhelmed with getting their children ready for school and running them to evening activities. It can be hard to know all the answers and help with homework on top of all of the other things parents are expected to do.

Mid-Continent Public Library has many great resources. Some of the resources that are often underutilized are the online research databases available for free for school-aged children to use for school projects and homework assignments.

Having these resources provided by MCPL available on your computer at home can make finding the help you need much easier. If you or your child has a current library card, you can access these resources from home whenever you need them.

LIBRARY RESOURCES

Library resources are important to be familiar with because they are often required by teachers as part of research projects.

Using research databases instead of a search engine to find materials for research projects will prove to be more productive in the long run. The way search engines are used to gather information today makes it very difficult to validate where the information is coming from or if the source is credible. The resources the library offers have been vetted and are reliable sources of information for many subjects.

All children should embrace good study habits that will follow them through life. Using reliable resources that they can cite correctly is one of the ways that they can learn to study well.

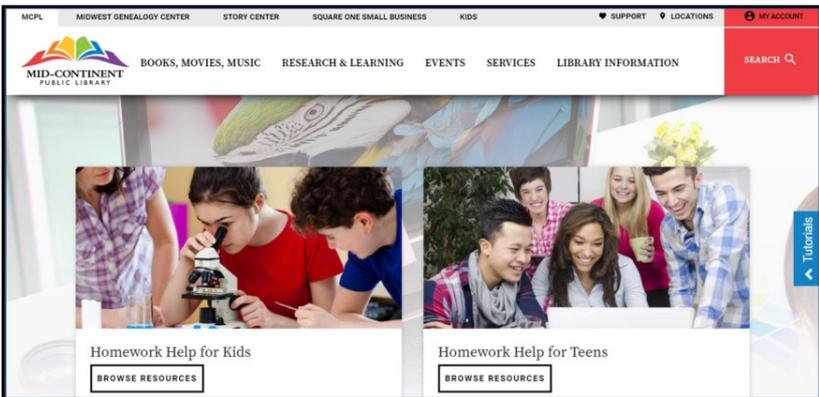
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LIBRARY RESOURCES

The Library has resources for all ages of students from kindergarten all the way through college. With over 200 databases at your fingertips, we have almost every subject covered. They are easy to access from within the Library or at home on your own computer or tablet.

MCPL has created two separate lists of homework helping resources to make it easy for parents and students to find age appropriate materials for research easily.

- To find homework resources visit:
mymcpl.org/homework



HOMWORK HELP FOR KIDS



There are dozens of library resources available for children that can assist them in many different areas such as reading, science, and more!

BookFlix is an online literacy resource that pairs classic video storybooks with related nonfiction eBooks to build a love of reading and learning. *BookFlix* reinforces early reading skills and introduces children to a world of knowledge and exploration.



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HOMEWORK HELP FOR KIDS

NoveList K-8 Plus

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Find new adventures and recommendations.

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Need help finding good books to read?

Novelist K-8 Plus helps kids and young teens do just that! Use your favorite books and authors to find new adventures!

If you can't think of a book you've liked in the past, simply choose a topic of interest and explore lists of

recommended books.

NoveList K-8 Plus includes both fiction and nonfiction titles.

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National Geographic Kids

Explore magazines, books, and downloadable images.
[National Geographic Kids Tutorials](#)

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In *National Geographic Kids*, you will find the *National Geographic Kids* magazine 2009-present (3 month embargo), two hundred *National Geographic Kids* books, and five hundred kid-friendly, downloadable images. It offers endless opportunities for kids to explore their world and instills a love of learning, nature, and other cultures.

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HOMEWORK HELP FOR KIDS

Scholastic Teachables offers a wide variety of learning resources for teachers, parents, and students. The thousands of resources include teacher-created lesson plans, activity sheets, and mini-books. Print, save, and share content for your kids and students.



Teachables content extends from Pre-K to 8th grade covering a variety of subjects.

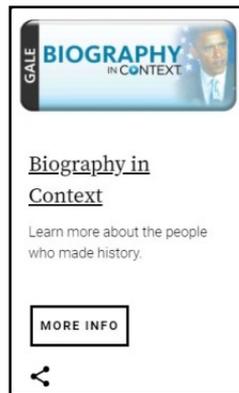
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HOMWORK HELP FOR TEENS



In addition to the homework resources available for kids, there are also a number of resources to help your teen with homework!

In *Biography in Context*, read biographies of more than one million people including current celebrities, authors, musicians, artists, scientists, and many others from throughout history and around the world. Some biographies include pictures, magazine articles, and links to websites.



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HOMEWORK HELP FOR TEENS

Science Reference

Center contains full text for hundreds of science encyclopedias, reference books, periodicals, and other sources.

Topics covered include biology, chemistry, earth and space science, environmental science, health and medicine, history of science, life science, physics, science and society, science as inquiry, scientists, technology, and wildlife.



Science Reference
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Make your science projects and papers come alive.

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Teen Homework Help Notes

LIVE HOMEWORK HELP

Live
Homework Help
from [tutor.com](https://www.tutor.com)

[Live Homework Help from Tutor.com](#)

Connect with expert tutors for live help with homework.
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When your child needs more help than you may be able to provide, a great resource that the Library has available is *Live Homework Help from Tutor.com*.

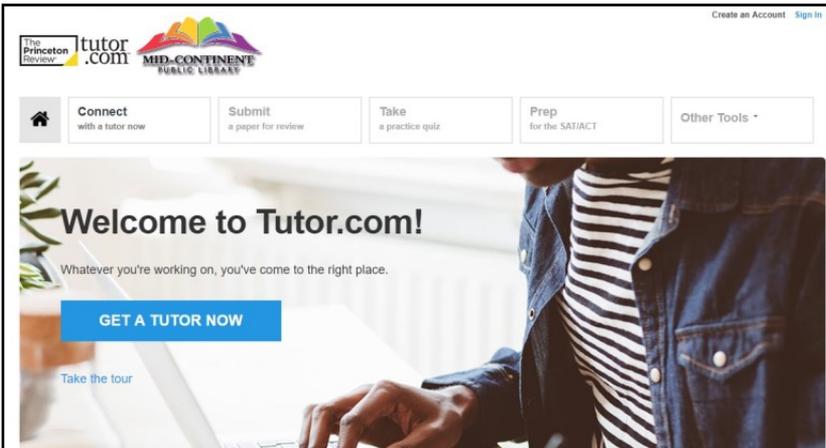
This safe, secure site connects students with vetted tutors who have strong backgrounds in the subjects they tutor, and they are available when they need them. Tutors are online seven days a week from noon to midnight, making it convenient to busy schedules.

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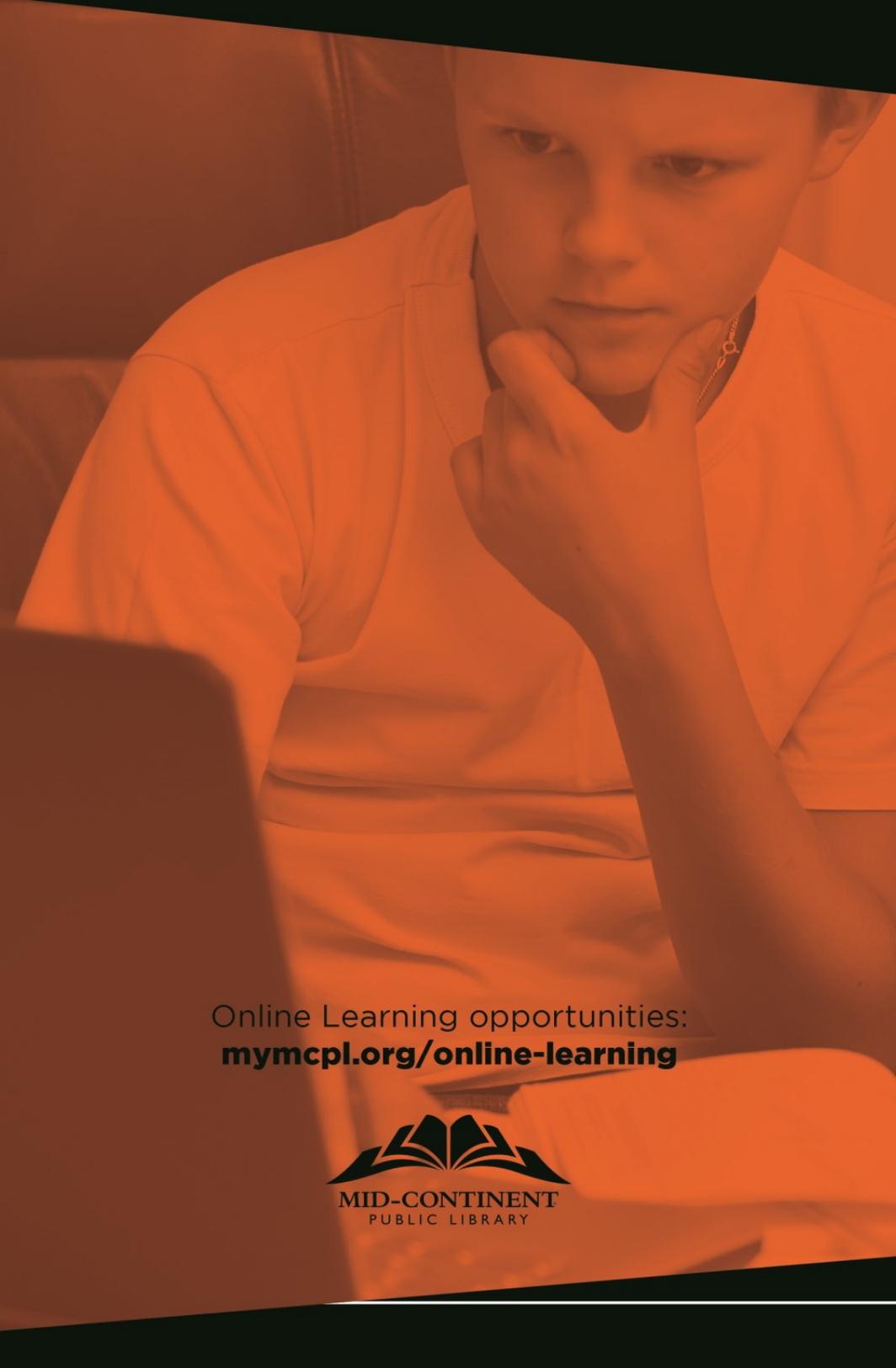
The tutors give one-on-one assistance, and parents can feel good about their child still learning because the tutors do not ever give out the answer; they allow the child to find it on their own.

The tutors cover all areas of study and can assist with students in kindergarten all the way through college. There is even assistance for college test prep such as ACT and SAT. It is also available for Spanish-speaking students.



The screenshot shows the Tutor.com website interface. At the top left, there are logos for 'The Princeton Review', 'tutor.com', and 'MID-CONTINENT PUBLIC LIBRARY'. On the top right, there are links for 'Create an Account' and 'Sign In'. Below the logos is a navigation bar with five buttons: 'Connect with a tutor now', 'Submit a paper for review', 'Take a practice quiz', 'Prep for the SAT/ACT', and 'Other Tools'. The main content area features a large banner with the text 'Welcome to Tutor.com!' and the tagline 'Whatever you're working on, you've come to the right place.' Below this is a prominent blue button that says 'GET A TUTOR NOW' and a smaller link that says 'Take the tour'. The background of the banner shows a person's hands typing on a laptop.

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Online Learning opportunities:
mymcpl.org/online-learning

