
GOING WAYBACK:

USING THE INTERNET ARCHIVE IN YOUR RESEARCH

I. What is the Internet Archive?

- a. Started in 1996
- b. Records and archives the internet and other types of media
- c. 319 billion (with a b) webpages have been archived
- d. 16 million texts are available for free
- e. 3.8 million images
- f. 5.7 million video clips and television clips
- g. 4.1 million audio recordings (including every Grateful Dead concert ever! And you can stream it for free!)

II. Audio Recordings, Software, and Images

- a. Audio Recordings
 - i. E-Tree (Live concerts, Grateful Dead archives, etc.)
 - ii. LibriVox (free audio books)
 - iii. Old Time Radio Programs
- b. Software
 - i. Classic PC Games
- c. Images
 - i. USGS Maps
 - ii. Metropolitan Museum of Art (*Does contain a collection of nude photos from the late 1800s and early 1900s)
 - iii. Flickr Commons Archive

- III. Videos/TV
 - a. Old Movies (public domain)
 - b. US Government Films
 - c. Newsreel Footage from WWII
 - d. Modern news footage

- IV. Webpages
 - a. Historical webpages, some going back to 1996
 - b. Some webpages are still 'clickable'
 - c. Not every webpage was archived.
 - d. Examples
 - i. Ancestry.com
 - ii. Portsmouth, Rhode Island Website

- V. Texts
 - a. County/Community Histories
 - b. City Directories
 - c. Catalogs (Montgomery Ward, etc.)
 - d. Biographies
 - e. High School Year Books
 - f. College Catalogs
 - g. Brochures
 - h. And much, much, more!
 - i. Search within text
 - ii. Downloading text

- VI. General Tips
 - a. Sign-up for a free account
 - b. Have fun and play, you can't break it or erase it
 - c. Suggest websites to archive.