

Getting to Know Your Library: eBooks, Digital Media and Databases

Databases

All Ohio libraries have access to Ohio Web Library (ohioweblibrary.org) databases. These databases, funded in part through an Institute of Museum and Library Services LSTA grant awarded by the State Library of Ohio, have a lot of valuable information that you can use to help patrons in the library.

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