



# MagillOnLiterature & MagillOnAuthors

These two resources can be searched together or individually.  
Essays can be printed, saved, or sent as e-mail.

## *MagillOnLiterature*

*MagillOnLiterature* features *Magill Book Reviews* from 1986 and *Magill Literary Annual* from 1990 to the present, plus the following works of literature review:

*Masterplots: Second Revised Edition*  
*Masterplots: Definitive Revised*  
*Masterplots: Revised Category Ed., American Fiction Series*  
*Masterplots: Revised Category Ed., British Fiction Series*  
*Masterplots: Revised Category Ed., European Fiction Series*  
*Masterplots II: African American Literature*  
*Masterplots II: American Fiction Series, plus Supplement, and American Fiction Series, Revised Edition*  
*Masterplots II: British and Commonwealth Fiction Series*  
*Masterplots II: Drama Series*  
*Masterplots II: Juvenile & Young Adult Fiction Series*  
*Masterplots II: Juvenile & Young Adult Biography Series*  
*Masterplots II: Juvenile & Young Adult Literature Supplement*  
*Masterplots II: Nonfiction Series*  
*Masterplots II: Poetry Series and Supplement*  
*Masterplots II: Short Story Series and Supplement*  
*Masterplots II: Women's Literature Series*  
*Masterplots II: World Fiction Series*  
*Magill's Guide to Science Fiction and Fantasy*  
*Cyclopedia of World Authors*  
*Cyclopedia of Literary Characters*  
*World Philosophers and Their Works*

## *MagillOnAuthors*

A companion to *MagillOnLiterature*, this source provides information on notable authors. It offers over 3,000 articles (some with images) on writers of long and short fiction, poets, dramatists, philosophers, etc.

Series titles included within *MagillOnAuthors* are:

*Critical Survey of Long Fiction: Second Revised Edition*  
*Critical Survey of Long Fiction: Foreign Language Series*  
*Critical Survey of Long Fiction: Supplement*  
*Critical Survey of Short Fiction: Second Revised Edition*  
*Critical Survey of Poetry: English Language Series*  
*Critical Survey of Poetry: Foreign Language Series*  
*Critical Survey of Poetry: Supplement*  
*Critical Survey of Drama: English Language Series*  
*Critical Survey of Drama: Foreign Language Series*  
*Critical Survey of Drama: Supplement*  
*Critical Survey of Mystery & Detective Fiction*  
*World Philosophers & Their Works*  
*Magill's Choice: Notable Poets*  
*Magill's Choice: Shakespeare*  
*Magill's Choice: 100 Masters of Mystery & Detective Fiction*

## *To connect to the Magill databases:*

1. On the World Wide Web, go to <http://www.knoxcounty.org/library>
2. Click on the words “**Reference Databases**”
3. Follow the links and instructions to connect to *MagillOnLiterature*/*MagillOnAuthors* using your library card number
4. Select one or both databases with the checkboxes to the left of the database names, then click “Continue”

## *Search tips and examples:*

1. The easiest way to search is to enter the keywords of a title of a work or an author's name as a standard search. If you want to combine author's name and words from the title to do a narrower search, switch to an “all words” search (example: **morrison bluest eye**).
2. Use an asterisk (\*) in the place of letters if you don't know the exact spelling, or when a word can be spelled different ways. For example, “**m\*cdonald**” finds McDonald and Macdonald, **dost\*vsk\*** finds Dostoevski, Dostoyevsky and Dostoevsky.