

## Newspaper Scavenger Hunt

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The purpose of this assignment is to help you become more familiar with [www.coloradohistoricnewspapers.org](http://www.coloradohistoricnewspapers.org). Once you have mastered the website, you will begin a research project using the website as your main source of information. You will earn participation points for completing this assignment correctly.

Carefully follow all directions below.

1. Log on to [www.coloradohistoricnewspapers.org](http://www.coloradohistoricnewspapers.org).
2. Click on **Tips for Searching Historic Newspapers** located in the left margin.
3. Read this section and answer the following questions on your own paper:
  - a. **What might make researching information using historic newspapers challenging?**
  - b. **What is the time span (in years) that this collection has on file?**
  - c. **Explain how historic newspapers are different from modern newspapers.**
  - d. **Briefly explain 4 search strategies you need to use to make your research less challenging.**
4. Return to the main page of the website by clicking on the **Map Tab** located near the top of the page.
5. Click on the **Browse Region tab** near the top of the page
6. Using the arrow button to the left of the *Alamosa Journal*, choose one of the newspapers listed.
  - e. **On your own paper, write down the name of the newspaper you picked, record whether it was a daily, weekly, monthly, or bimonthly newspaper, and the years it was in circulation (example 1887-1909).**
7. Return to the main page by clicking on the **Map Tab**.
8. Click on one of the regions
9. Type in high school dance & check the box marked **Search all Publications**
10. Choose a few articles and read each one. Click on the one you find most interesting to enlarge. Print this article only.
11. Click on the **Browse All tab**
12. Click the arrow next to the *Akron News* and pick any newspaper
13. Open any issue
  - f. **Read the advertisements. What kinds of goods and services were being advertised? Create a list of 5 goods/services being advertised.**
  - g. **Continue to browse the newspaper. What local events were published? List 3 local events.**
14. Continue to browse through the paper, reading articles and advertisements, as well as the website. Take notes on any interesting findings that you would like to share with the class.

