

ELI: **Read/React 4**
Course Level: **High Intermediate**
Course Purpose: **Intensive reading of fiction and non-fiction on related subject/topics/themes and ability to interpret, evaluate and discuss those readings.**

Library Assignment

Goal: Find one news article from a newspaper and one from a popular magazine using EBSCOhost related to the theme(s) found in a short story being read in class.

Short Story: *Is There Nowhere Else Where We Can Meet?* By Nadine Gordimer

Article Topic: Apartheid in South Africa

Task 1: EBSCOhost

1. Go to the Library Media Center Home Page. <http://www.bcc.ctc.edu/lmc>
2. Click on Periodical Indexes and Online Resources.
3. Click on EBSCOhost (and ProQuest for local newspapers)
4. Choose the appropriate databases for your source:
Academic Search Elite and/or **Newspaper Source** and/or **MAS Ultra-School Edition**
5. Find an article about *apartheid in South Africa*.

Compare the following search queries below and make a short note of each result. How many articles come up for each option? What do you learn about this?

- A) apartheid in South Africa
- B) apartheid and South Africa
- C) apartheid and race relations
- D) apartheid and Nelson Mandela

What is the difference between “and” and “or”?

Is it a good idea to use a preposition such as “in”? Why or why not?

6. Discuss your answers to #5 in pairs and with the class.
7. Find an appropriate full-text article (1 page of text minimum) and identify the source: Is it a newspaper or magazine article?
(e.g. *Time*, *Newsweek*, *U.S. News and World Report*, *Seattle Times*, etc.)
8. Write down the name of the source, title of the article, author and publication date.
9. Send the article to your email address.
10. Find a second article from the other source type (1 page minimum of text). Send it to your email address.
11. At home, skim the articles again. Evaluate the articles for their relevancy to the topic and for their clarity.
12. Choose one of the articles for analyzing and summarizing.
13. Bring the article, your summary and response to class on the assigned day and be prepared to discuss it in a small group.