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# The Times Digital Archive





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# THE TIMES DIGITAL ARCHIVE

The Times Digital Archive is an online, full-text facsimile of more than 225 years of *The Times*, one of the most highly regarded resources for nineteenth and twentieth century history detailing every complete page of every issue from 1785. This historical newspaper archive allows researchers an unparalleled opportunity to search and view every page of the best-known and most cited newspaper in the world in its original published context.

Number of articlesNumber of pagesOver 11 MillionOver 1.4 MillionVear of earliest documentVear of last document17852011\*Over 2255



## *THE TIMES*: A BRIEF HISTORY

*The Times* is one of the world's oldest continuously published newspapers, priding itself on being an establishment paper: "the newspaper of record". With an audience covering world leaders to the general public, since its creation in 1785 readers have turned to *The Times* for its in-depth, award-winning coverage. It has reported extensively on international events for over 225 years, alongside its coverage of national news. With a strong focus on political events and analysis, *The Times* also reports on cultural affairs and social developments.

Generally regarded as a newspaper with high standards of journalism and accuracy in its reporting, public opinion of the paper has nevertheless varied over its lifetime.

A pioneer in its industry, *The Times* has made significant contributions to the development of both journalism and media history, notably as the first paper to hire a dedicated war correspondent. From 1986-2010 *The Times* expanded its sports and cultural coverage with the increase of weekend supplements, and also expanded the page count of individual issues, adding more content to the main section.

For information on the history of *The Times*, visit gale.com/timesinfo

### WHY IS THIS ARCHIVE IMPORTANT?

The Times is one of the most cited newspapers in the world, and holds immense value as a historical resource for researchers in diverse subject areas. The Times Digital Archive provides access to the full run of one of the world's most important newspapers, with an unrivalled reputation for covering national and global news. Research possibilities are expanded by:

- Providing perspectives and opinions before many other newspapers were founded, giving a broader and longer ranging insight into mass media representations of history
- Access to supplements and magazines, broadening research opportunities into wider subject areas, ranging from (but not limited to) arts and culture to sports and property
- Cross-searching with other Gale historical newspaper archives to see how different target markets affect journalistic styles, the presentation of stories, and what was considered "news"



"If euro fails, then Europe fails: Merkel's call to arms." Times, 27 Oct. 2011

### 'This is a new Africa. Things are getting better fast. We have global aspirations'





"'This is a new Africa. Things are getting better fast. We have global aspirations'." *Times.* 19 Mar. 2011



"India puts its faith in the sun to outshine the world in green power." Times, 3 Aug. 2009



#### High stakes for peace in Middle East





Top: "Hong Kong and the Rise of Asia." *Times*, 12 Sept. 2011

Centre: "High stakes for peace in Middle East." *Times*, 20 Sept. 2011

Bottom: "The capital of the United States asks: just how could such a thing happen here?" *Times*, 12 Sept. 2001

### VALUABLE HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

As one of the longest continuously published newspapers in the world, *The Times* provides insight and opinion on many of the most notable events of the last two centuries. Since its beginning as the *Daily Universal Register*, *The Times* has provided landmark coverage, including:

- The first photographs taken on Everest, and reports on the numerous doomed attempts to reach the summit before Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay in 1953
- W. H. Russell's dispatches from the Crimean War, one of the earliest examples of dedicated war correspondence
- Initial opposition to the repeal of the Corn Laws, a position that they changed after demonstrations showed the popularity of repeal among the public

#### NOTABLE CONTRIBUTORS

Throughout its history, *The Times* has attracted and published some of the most revered and respected contributors, including many who are often cited as important figures in the development of both journalism and the modern press. Among the many names are:

- Sir William J. Haley (1901-1987), former Director General of the BBC, editor of *The Times*, and editor-in-chief of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*
- Sir William Rees-Mogg (1928-2012), former editor of *The Times*, vice-chairman of the BBC, and member of the European Reform Forum
- **William Howard Russell** (1820-1907), reporter for *The Times*, generally regarded as the first modern war correspondent

#### A MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESOURCE

The archive supports research across multiple disciplines, with coverage of major national and international events from the late eighteenth through to the early twenty-first centuries. This archive contains content relevant to:

• Arts and Culture

Contemporary History

• Gender and Women's Studies

• Nineteenth Century History

- Business and Economics
- Politics
- International Relations
- Science and Technology
- Social History
- Sports and Entertainment

"We called this 'a dream of a database,' a full-text archive providing access not only to articles from *The Times* but also to advertising and classified ads, editorials, birth and death notices, book reviews, crossword puzzles, letters to the editor, and the Court Page, which details the activities of the royals."

- Booklist

# THE GALE PRIMARY SOURCES PROGRAMME

*The Times Digital Archive* is one of many resources available in the Gale Primary Sources programme which offers a ground-breaking research environment that, to date, integrates over 30 of the programme's collections, allowing researchers to conduct one search and instantly pull related results from approximately 170 million pages of historical content. The combination of uniquely rich, full-text primary source content, dependable metadata, and intuitive subject indexing, is further enriched by innovative workflow and analytical tools.

#### TERM FREQUENCY

The term frequency tool aids researchers in tracking central themes and ideas. Researchers can now see the frequency of their search term within a content set to begin assessing how individuals, events, and ideas interacted and developed over time.

#### TERM CLUSTERS

The term cluster assists students in thoroughly developing their research topic. By identifying and organising frequently occurring themes, this tool reveals hidden relationships between search terms helping users shape their research and integrate diverse content with relevant information.

#### **TEXT & DATA MINING**

At request, Gale will deliver data and metadata associated with the collection for use in data mining and textual analysis, supporting the digital humanities as a growing area of scholarly research.

#### **OTHER TOOLS & FEATURES**

- Basic and Advanced search options, as well as the ability to search within an individual work
- Persistent URLs for every page of the collection facilitate inclusion in course packs and bookmarking
- Subject Indexing to make content accessible and expose key data elements
- Zotero Compatibility to optimise, collect, cite, and organise sources
- User Accounts to enable users to create and edit user-generated tags and annotations, which can be saved between sessions
- Image Viewer to zoom, highlight, rotate, reverse, and view pages in full-screen mode
- Downloadable OCR to enable a new level of access to and analysis of search results
- 'Keywords in Context' option on the results list previews the first keyword in the document
- Unlimited downloads
- Citation generator and bibliographic citation export functionality (Full citation records for each title in the *The Times* from the English Short Title Catalogue)
- Fuzzy Searching allows users to widen results and search for words with variant spellings
- COUNTER compliant usage statistics
- MARC Records available (sourced from the English Short Title Catalogue)

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### KNOWLEDGE IS POWER, AND THE ACT OF LEARNING IS EMPOWERING.

Whether you are working on your essay for an undergraduate module, writing your dissertation, thesis, or next article for an academic journal, Gale Primary Sources provides a new and unique way to discover information.

In any field of study, the best work comes from finding the right sources of information, and using them to elevate work beyond the ordinary. Research is the most important bridge to getting the results you want, and to make you and your effort stand out from the crowd. Primary sources are an invaluable part of this, and with our archives, you can start at the source, building your own contribution to your field.

At Gale, our aim is to empower you. Empower you to find new and richer information, push your work to new levels, and get the results your effort deserves. Aligned with modern tools and workflows, our progressive learning resources and primary source collections help to connect you with the knowledge essential to achieving your goals.



#### **EMPOWER**<sup>™</sup> DISCOVERY by enabling students and researchers to:

- Find new connections, and use them to create unique contributions to your field
- Draw your own conclusions, using primary source material to discover relevant content
- Develop new and original ideas, and explore previously hidden avenues

#### **EMPOWER**<sup>™</sup> ACHIEVEMENT by enabling libraries and institutions to:

- Provide access to valuable primary sources, whenever and wherever researchers need it
- Foster a culture of research excellence, delivering an environment for discovery
- Help students develop lifelong skills that go beyond university and into their careers

If *The Times Digital Archive* will be a valuable resource to you, you will be interested in our other archives, especially:

# DAILY MAIL HISTORICAL ARCHIVE

This archive offers access to more than 100 years of this major UK national newspaper, viewable in full digital facsimile form, with copious advertisements, news stories, and images that capture twentiethcentury culture and society, providing an important alternative perspective to other newspapers such as *The Times* (London) and *The Telegraph*.



# THE TELEGRAPH HISTORICAL ARCHIVE

The fully-searchable digital archive of what was once the world's biggest-selling newspaper. Researchers and students can full-text search across 1 million pages of the newspaper's backfile from its first issue to the end of 2000, including issues of the *Sunday Telegraph* from 1961.



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