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# Accessibility Statement for ProQuest products \*

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Visit the [Accessibility Directory](#) article for detailed information for all ProQuest products.

\* This statement covers all products listed at the end of this document. See [Product List](#).

## ProQuest and Accessibility

ProQuest is committed to providing an experience that is fully accessible to everyone. We make every effort to ensure that all site pages comply with Web accessibility guidelines.

Due to the complex nature of the content and services within our products, this is an ongoing effort.

Visit the [Accessibility Help](#) page for detailed information on using specific accessibility features.

## Standards

While designing the interface, we've aimed to comply with the following Web accessibility standards and laws:

- **Section 508 of the US Rehabilitation Act.**  
Further details about how ProQuest addresses Section 508 compliance can be found in VPAT statements. Note that some products include links to VPAT statements, other can be made available on request.
- **The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)**
- **Level A of the WAI Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG).**  
In some cases we meet Level AA and AAA standards.

In addition to the specific accessibility standards, the site has been built following broader web coding standards e.g. HTML and CSS to ensure compatibility with as wide a range of browsers and assistive technologies as possible.

## Testing

At every stage of development, ProQuest code is checked for accessibility using a range of automated and manual checks. For example, colors used throughout the interface have been tested against the World Wide Web Consortium's (W3C) standards for luminosity contrast, color difference, and brightness difference. We also test the interface for screen reader accessibility using JAWS with Internet Explorer during implementation. Other tools used to test accessibility include:

- WAVE (web accessibility evaluation tool) provided by WebAim.
- Fangs screen reader emulator.
- Color Contrast Analyzer.
- Manual keyboard checks.
- Vischeck filters (color-deficient vision simulator).

## Features with Implications for Accessibility

Our products may include some or all of the following features which have implications for accessibility. Refer to the Software Requirements page in the site for full details of how to download any plug-ins you might need to make full use of these features.

### JavaScript

All content within the site can be accessed with JavaScript disabled. However, it is advisable to browse the site with JavaScript enabled to make full use of all the available features.

### PDFs and Page Images

The site may include scanned page images in PDF/gif/jpeg/tiff formats, which cannot be read by a screen reader. You will need Adobe Reader installed on your computer in order to view page images in PDF format.

### Inline Graphics

Graphics may be used within full text pages for items which cannot be represented as plain text e.g. photographs, illustrations, tables and charts. A short caption normally appears in the text beside these items.

### Pop-ups

The site may make use of pop-ups to provide some types of content. Pop-ups are not used for advertising on the site, they only include site content.

If you have a browser pop-up blocker activated you will need to disable it for full access to the content in the site.

## Video

This site includes video clips for which you need either the *QuickTime Player*® or the *Windows Media*® Player plug-in. Each video clip page includes a short description of the relevant clip but captioning and full transcripts are only available in a few products.

## Animated or Interactive Content

The site contains some animated or interactive content for which you need the *Adobe Flash Player* plug-in.

## Learn more about web accessibility

- Section 508
- Americans with Disabilities Act
- WAI Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0
- BBC My Web My Way

## Product List

This statement applies to the following products:

- Acta Sanctorum
- African American Poetry
- African Writers Series
- American Drama 1714-1915
- American Film Institute Catalog
- American Poetry
- Annual Bibliography of English Language and Literature, 1920- (ABELL)
- Archive Finder
- Bibliography of American Literature
- Black Abolitionist Papers
- Black Literature Index
- Black Studies Center
- C19: The Nineteenth-Century Index
- Canadian Poetry
- Cecil Papers
- Colonial State Papers
- Digital National Security Archive
- Digitale Bibliothek Deutscher Klassiker
- Documents on British Policy Overseas
- Early American Fiction 1789-1850
- Early American Fiction 1789-1875

- Early English Books Online
- Early English Prose Fiction
- Early European Books
- Eighteenth-Century Fiction
- English Drama
- English Poetry
- English Poetry, Second Edition
- FIAF International Index to Film Periodicals / FIAF International Index to Film Periodicals Plus
- Film Indexes International
- Film Indexes Online
- History Study Center
- House of Commons Parliamentary Papers
- John Johnson Collection
- King James Bible
- KnowUK
- Literature Collections
- Literature Online
- MLA International Bibliography
- Monthly Catalog
- Nineteenth Century Short Title Catalogue
- Nineteenth-Century Fiction
- Paley Center
- Patrologia Latina
- Policy File
- ProQuest Learning: Literature
- Queen Victoria's Journals
- Schomburg Studies on the Black Experience
- The Faber Poetry Library
- The Gerritsen Collection
- The HistoryMakers
- The Wellesley Index to Victorian Periodicals, 1824-1900
- Twentieth-Century African American Poetry
- Twentieth-Century American Poetry
- Twentieth-Century Drama
- Twentieth-Century English Poetry