**Online Research: Interactive Exercise 2 (slide 24)**

Choose one of the following topics:

LIST OF TOPICS FOR THIS ACTIVITY

**Topic A:** Global Warming (search for statistics concerning global warming in the United States)

**Topic B:** Legalizing Marijuana: the debate (find an essay that presents both sides of the argument)

**Topic C:** Student Right to Free Speech (search for relevant journal articles and identify one U.S. Supreme Court case that deals with this topic)

**Topic D:** Women in Shakespeare (find relevant journal articles)

Then, complete the following activity:

**STEP 1:** Narrow your topic and brainstorm key words to use in your search.

**STEP 2:** Determine which COC Library database/s or internet sites are appropriate for this research topic and explain why.

**STEP 3:** For topic A: Search the database and find at least two relevant statistical charts or graphs. Print them out or list the exact source for the information found.  
  
For topic B: Search the database and identify and list two arguments on each side of the marijuana debate.  
  
For topic C: Search the database and identify one appropriate article and name a relevant Supreme Court case (made-up example: California vs. Student Speaking Mind).  
  
For topic D: Search the database and identify two appropriate articles and print out the first page, or cite the articles below in MLA format.

**STEP 4:** Discuss this activity with a tutor. Were you successful? What features of the database were easy to use? Did you encounter any problems during your search?