

RESEARCHING “MY TOWN, OHIO”

INDICATOR	OHIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY	LOCAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY LOCAL LIBRARIES LOCAL GOVT. OFFICES	CONNECTING CONTENT QUESTIONS
Business	Trades and corporations	Photographs	Compare and contrast businesses in your community with other parts of Ohio
	Insurance maps	Telephone directories Business directories	Compare and contrast the first business in your community with the first business in Ohio
	Government records	Permits, tax records	Compare the largest business in your community with the business in Ohio
	Microfilm of newspapers	Newspaper ads	
Architecture	Inventory of historical places	Photographs	Find examples of building styles in your community and compare with buildings in Ohio.
	Examples of arch. styles and time periods	Surveys of local buildings	Place drawings of buildings in your community on a time line of arch. Styles
			What is the oldest building in your community? What is its style and date of construction? What was its use?
			What is the newest building in your community? What is the style and date of construction? What was its use?
Physical features	Maps	Maps	What natural features such as mountains, rivers, lakes are found in your community
	Photographs	Newspapers	What physical features were created such as lakes, canals etc. When were they made?



		Photographs	What is the most significant physical feature in your community? Is this feature common to other areas of Ohio?
Employment	Census	Newspaper classifieds	What types of occupations do you find in your community as compared to occupations found in Ohio?
	Newspapers	Census	What is the largest employer in your community? How large is this occupation in Ohio?
	Bureau of Statistics (link)		What were the first occupations in your community? When did these occupations appear in Ohio?
Transportation	Maps	Maps	What forms of transportation are found in your area as compared to other areas of Ohio.
	Photographs	Photos	Are there signs of previous forms of travel in your community such as canals, railroads, and roads? Are these common to other areas of Ohio?
			Are there forms of public transportation or air travel in your community? What areas of Ohio have common forms of transportation?
Technology	Photographs	Newspapers	Compare technology in your community with other parts of Ohio.
	Time line of inventions	Photographs	What is the most recent technological development in your community? Compare with technology today in Ohio?
			Compare the development of technology in Ohio with the development in your community?



Education	Ohio firsts in education	Board of Education information	When was the first school built in your community? What type of school was it?
	Documents of education	Newspaper articles	List the types of schools found in your community/.
			What is the most recent school built in your community? What does it feature?
Religion	Religious groups in Ohio	Church directories	
	When did religious groups arrive in Ohio?	Newspapers, directories	What is the largest religious group in your community?
		Church surveys	List the religions found in your community? When did they start in your community as compared to Ohio in general.
			Are there unique religious groups to your area such as Zoarites, Shakers, Amish etc.
Recreation	Sports and recreation in Ohio history	Newspapers Books	What is the most popular recreation in your community? Is this popular in other parts of Ohio?
	List of sports teams and histories	Recreation departments	Are there sports teams in your community? Are these sports popular in Ohio?
	List of historical sites and museums	School records	What are the oldest recreation facilities in your community?
			List recreation activities in your area?
	List of arts , theatres and symphonies		Does your community have an orchestra or community band? Is this common in other Ohio communities?
			Are there museums, theatres or other art attractions in your community?

