

GROUP ACTIVITY

Directions:

Your group will be searching **ERIC**. (Library homepage→ Articles and Databases tab→ Databases by Title→ ERIC. Your search topic is: **prayer in public schools**.)

Work with your group to identify the types of resources you've retrieved with your search tool. As you review your search results, answer the following questions:

Who might use the resources retrieved by your search tool?

- You, me, anybody (general audience)
- Persons employed in a specific trade, career, or profession
- Scholars/academics (college faculty, scientists, researchers)

How and **why** might someone use the sources retrieved? Tell us about any special features of these sources. For example, do they offer:

- Differing opinions or perspectives
- Up-to-date news or eyewitness accounts
- Data, statistics
- General overviews of a topic
- Career-specific news and information
- Focused, in-depth research
- Bibliographies that point to other relevant sources of information
- Other useful features. Please list.

Would the kinds of sources retrieved by this tool be useful to you for your essay assignment? Please give reasons for your answer.