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Under terms of the agreement, OCLC member libraries participating in the Google Book Search™ program, which makes the full text of more than one million books searchable, may share their WorldCat records with Google.

Google will link from Google Book Search to WorldCat.org, which will drive traffic to library catalogs and other library services. Google will share data and links to digitized books with OCLC, which will make it possible for OCLC to represent the digitized collections of OCLC member libraries in WorldCat.

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Practice a Foreign Language with Digital Videos

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description of its contents, the country of the speaker, and additional grammar and vocabulary notes. These videos are produced by the ViewPoints Project of the Five Colleges of Ohio consortium and are freely available to anyone via the Internet.



New Library Link Editor

Penny McGinnis, the Library's Technical Manager, is now editing the Clermont College Library Link. For questions or comments about the newsletter, contact: penny.mcginnis@uc.edu. For reference questions contact kathleen.epperson@uc.edu or rosemary.young@uc.edu.

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Oxford Reference Online <http://www.oxfordreference.com/> -- Over 100 dictionaries, general reference, language reference, and subject reference works from Oxford University Press.

Roget's II: The New Thesaurus <http://www.bartleby.com/62/> -- Contains 35,000 synonyms and over 250,000 cross-references in an easy-to-use format, this thesaurus features succinct word definitions and an innovative hyperlinked category index.

STAT-USA <http://www.stat-usa.gov/> -- A service of the U.S. Department of Commerce that delivers vital economic, business, and international trade information produced by the U.S. Government.

World Almanac <http://newfirstsearch.oclc.org/dbname=WorldAlmanac;done=referer;FSIP> -- Includes biographies, encyclopedia entries, facts, and statistics.

World Data Analyst Online <http://www.world.eb.com> -- offers detailed statistical comparisons of countries around the world, using both the most recent statistics and historical figures.

The Future of the Internet and How to Stop It

By Jonathan Zittrain
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This extraordinary book explains the engine that has catapulted the Internet from backwater to ubiquity. With the unwitting help of its users, the generative Internet is on a path to a lockdown, ending its cycle of innovation—and facilitating unsettling new kinds of control.

iPods, iPhones, Xboxes, and TiVos represent the first wave of Internet-centered products that can't be easily modified by anyone except their vendors or selected partners. These "tethered appliances" and applications eclipse the PC, the very nature of the Internet—its innovative character—is at risk.

The Internet's current trajectory is one of lost opportunity. Its salvation, Zittrain argues, lies in the hands of its millions of users. This book shows how to develop new technologies and social structures that allow users to work creatively and collaboratively, participate in solutions, and become true "netizens."

