

Context / Background Information

Oxford Reference Online

<http://www.oxfordreference.com/>

Entries in encyclopedias published by Oxford Univ. Press; authoritative alternative to wikipedia

The Cambridge History of Japan (online)

Main Library DS835.C36 1988 (6 vols)

Print: obis.oberlin.edu/record=b1465230~S4

Volume 5: [Nineteenth Century](#)

Volume 6: [Twentieth Century](#)

The Cambridge encyclopedia of Japan / Cambridge University Press, 1993

Main Reference DS805.C36 1993 LIB USE ONLY

Kodansha encyclopedia of Japan / Tokyo ; New York, N.Y. : Kodansha, 1983

Main Reference DS805.K633 1983 (9 vols)

Japan : an illustrated encyclopedia / Kodansha America, 1993

Main Reference DS805.J263 1993 (2 vols)

Japan at war : an encyclopedia / Louis G. Perez, editor

Main Reference DS838 .J364 2013

OBIS and OhioLINK -- Subject Headings

Photography -- Japan -- History -- 19th century

Japan -- History -- 19th century -- Pictorial works

Photography -- Japan -- History

Photography -- Social aspects -- Japan -- History

Databases for journal articles

[Academic Search Complete](#) -- large database with a broad range of articles on all areas of study. Useful for getting perspectives from many disciplines, and from popular media sources

[Bibliography of Asian Studies](#) Index to English language articles on all aspects of East Asian Studies

[Historical Abstracts](#) The major database of citations for articles in world history journals (not covering North America)

Other relevant databases: (see [Databases A-Z](#) to link to these)

Art Full Text

Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals

Environment Complete

JSTOR

SocIndex

Worldwide Political Science Abstracts

Source Material and Digital Collections

Collections containing photographs

(also use Prof. Parks' extensive list of digital collections)

Camio: Catalog of Art Museum Images Online - digital scans of images in art museums, try japan* and photo* and add additional search terms

<http://camio.oclc.org/cdm/>

MIT "Visualizing Cultures" – image study of modern era Japan and early modern China

<http://ocw.mit.edu/ans7870/21f/21f.027/home/index.html>

Meiji-Taisho Era in Photographs (National Diet Library)

<http://www.ndl.go.jp/scenery/index.html>

National Archives of Japan Digital Archive – photographs, posters, documents, scrolls, maps from all eras of Japanese history

http://www.digital.archives.go.jp/index_e.html

Nineteenth Century Collections Online – Photography: the world through the lens

<http://tinyurl.galegroup.com/tinyurl/Bwyi1>

Collections that contain art images or maps (may include photographs)

Ainsworth collection of Japanese Prints – Allen Memorial Art Museum

http://oberlin.edu/amam/exhibit_turmoil.html

Ainsworth Collection of Japanese Artists Books -- Oberlin College Library Special Collections

<http://www.oberlin.edu/library/special/japanese-artists-books.html>

ArtStor – over 1 million images of artwork of many forms covering broad time periods and geographies, includes art photography

<http://www.artstor.org/index.shtml>

Japanese Historical Maps – David Rumsey Collection

<http://www.davidrumsey.com/japan/>

Collections that are mainly text-based

Japan Times – leading English-language Japanese newspaper

Available in Mudd on microfilm: 1945-1970 (alt title Nippon Times from 1945-56)

obis.oberlin.edu/record=b1751276~S4

Japanese Historical Text Initiative – important Japanese historical documents and English translations

<http://sunsite.berkeley.edu/jhti/>

Meiji Japan – digital collection of Edward S. Morse Collection (Oberlin subscribes to access)

<http://www.aap.amdigital.co.uk/default.aspx>

Research Guide for Modern Japanese History (Harvard Univ. Library) – gateway to collections at Harvard, as well as many resources available on the open web

<http://guides.library.harvard.edu/content.php?pid=253676&gid=4877>

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