Goals:

- Give you a basic overview of various types of information and show you how information is organized.
- Give you a basic understanding of search strategies to find relevant information in a library catalog, a periodical database, or on the Internet.
- Introduce the library’s catalog, *Hawaii Voyager*, and give you an opportunity to practice different searching strategies to locate library materials.
- Provide criteria that you can use to evaluate information sources that you find.
- Discuss the importance of properly citing your sources and avoiding plagiarism.

Completing the Assignment:

- The Laulima library assignment usually takes 2-3 hours to complete. You don’t need to do it all at one sitting! Do one or two modules at a time.
- All four modules and four quizzes must be completed before you take the Final.
- You must get an 80% or better on each module quiz before taking the Final.
- You may take the module quizzes as many times as you wish, but you can only take the Final Quiz once.

These Student Docs are helpful.

Use your UH username and password to login.

Click on the Library_Instruct_Hilo_Ongoing tab.

You may have to click on the "My Active Sites" tab to see the Library_Instruct tab.
Please contact one of the librarians listed on the "Site Information Display" page if you have any problems or questions.

The instructions for completing this assignment are also available here.

1. Click on Modules
2. Click on Introduction

Click on Next and go page-by-page through each Module.

Module 1 Types of Information
Introduction

Finding, evaluating, and using information wisely and ethically are important skills in today's world. This required library component within your ESL, English, or Agriculture 100 section will show you ways to find information in libraries and online.

Librarians are information professionals and instructional faculty. The library is our classroom. We're available to:

- Assist you with developing your topic
- Demonstrate effective search strategies using print indexes and online databases
- Show you how to find the best information available
- Advise how best to cite the sources you will use in papers and reports

Knowing how to find the right answers is the key to success.
Module 1 Types of Information

Review and Quiz

The purpose of research is to solve problems. Scientists and scholars study our environment in the hopes of improving and enriching our lives. Knowledge is produced by government, academic, and commercial sources and is packaged into information that is distributed in different formats.

Libraries collect, organize, and provide access to information, and librarians can assist you with your information needs.

Your information needs will often dictate the type of sources you consult. For most research:

- If you don't know much about your topic, consult a general or subject encyclopedia to find an overview and some basic information to get started.
- When you have narrowed your topic and are ready to explore a subject in depth, it's time to find books on your subject.
- The next step is to find journal articles about current research.

Remember that:

- Journals, because of their scholarly nature and often because they have access to a larger amount of information than magazines for academic research, can provide useful, current information.
- A lot of information is also available on the Internet. Information sources on the Web should be scrutinized and carefully evaluated for accuracy, completeness, authority and purpose.

Check what you've just learned by taking the "Types of Information" test under "Tasks, Tests and Surveys" in the left-side navigation list.

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NOTE: the quizzes are not in order. You'll need to select the quiz for the module you just completed.

At the end of each module, you'll take a quiz. You must complete all four modules and take all four quizzes before taking the final quiz.
If you are taking an online class:

When you are ready to take the Final Quiz, contact Amy: saxton@hawaii.edu

You must get at least an 80% on each of the four module quizzes to take the final quiz.

You can take the module quizzes as many times as you want, but you will take the final quiz only once.

If you are attending a face-to-face class on campus:

You will take the Final Quiz in the library classroom.

You can only take the Final Quiz one time.