Alright, fellow investigators, let’s discover some of the great middle-school-level resources in GALILEO. There are often several ways to find what you need, so we have provided hints, tips, and suggestions to point you in the right direction and to help you when working with your students. Now, let’s start hunting…

1. Find the GALILEO user view designed specifically for middle school students.
   *Tip for the Future:* You can bookmark this user view or create a desktop shortcut to go directly to the middle school resources. Check the searchable FAQs for “bookmark” in the Help section of GALILEO for this.

2. Find an article in a journal, magazine, or newspaper that discusses past natural disasters.
   *Suggested Databases:* Discover GALILEO search box, SIRS Discoverer, Student Research Center
   *Suggested Search Term:* <natural disasters> or a type of natural disaster, such as <earthquakes>, <hurricanes>, or <droughts>
   *Search Hint:* The All Resources tab in GALILEO Teen is a quick way to find one particular database and to see a list of middle school resources.
   *Tip for the Future:* There are a couple of ways to find databases with articles. You can go to By Topic to see lists of databases for a particular subject area, or you can also use the Search tab to search several databases at one time.

3. Adding images or video is a good way to jazz up a science project. Find an image or video on one of the following topics:
   a. Water cycle
   b. Solar system
   c. Fossils
   d. Chemical elements
   *Suggested Databases:* Compton’s by Britannica, SIRS Discoverer
   *Search Hint:* Go to the Search tab and click the Pictures tab to search both of these databases and more at one time.

4. You need to find a couple of good websites on the effects of steroids, but most of what you find in Google and Yahoo! includes medical explanations that are too complicated for young students or tells you how to buy steroids on the black market. Use GALILEO to find some suitable websites on this subject.
   *Suggested Databases:* Discoverer WebFind (also in SIRS Discoverer), Compton’s by Britannica
5. Find a historical map of one of the following:
   a. Ottoman Empire
   b. Europe after World War II
   c. Australia, 1788-1911
   **Suggested Database:** SIRS Discoverer > Maps

6. Find a primary source, which can be an image, document, or video, about an event, person, or place related to the Civil Rights Movement.
   *Bonus Challenge: Find a lesson plan on the Civil Rights Movement. (Hint: Freedom on Film)
   **Suggested Databases:** Civil Rights Digital Library, Digital Library of Georgia, Annals of American History
   **Tip for the Future:** By Type > Primary Source Documents offers a list of resources with historical items on a wide variety of subjects.

7. Find an old photograph of, an interesting fact about, or a current map of your city or county.
   **Suggested Databases:** Digital Library of Georgia, GeorgiaInfo, New Georgia Encyclopedia
   **Tip for the Future:** The Georgia category under By Topic is a great list of resources for teaching Georgia history.

8. A 6th grade student has read the Chronicles of Narnia books and wants to find more like them. Find some suggestions at his Lexile reading level (850-1050).
   **Suggested Database:** NoveList K-8
   **Search Hint:** Search by the book title or author name. Note the Title Read-alikes, Author Read-alikes, and Series Read-alikes link in the results.

9. Find a list of books about Georgia that can be used in the classroom.
   **Suggested Database:** NoveList K-8
   **Search Hint:** Go to Teaching with Books and choose Social Studies for Grades 6-8 in Curriculum-based Book Lists.

10. You want to read an article called “The Importance of Information Literacy Skills in the Middle School Curriculum” by Katherine Bucher from the Mar/Apr 2000 issue of Clearing House, 73 (4), 217-220, but you don’t have this publication in your media center. Find the article in GALILEO.
    **Two Search Hints:** The Magazines A-Z tab in the High School user view allows you to find full-text publications in GALILEO databases by entering the publication title in the search box. Also, the Find Cited Article tool allows you to find a specific article if you have the citation information.

11. *Extra Credit* Find Educator Resources for classroom activities and professional development in GALILEO.
    **Search Hint:** Go to the By Topic tab in Teen, but also see the Browse by Subject tab in the High School user view for more resources.
    **Tip for the Future:** Many databases designed for K-12 students include a section for educators. Particularly, look for these in Britannica and SIRS. Also, see the Help information in GALILEO for items to support librarians and educators.