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PRAXIS II PRACTICE TESTS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

- The Learning Express online test preparation and skills enhancement resource that was featured in the Summer 2008 issue of library4students@astate has recently added a total of 6 practice tests for the Praxis II exam. There are two practice tests each for the Early Childhood, Elementary Education, and Middle School Content Knowledge exams.

Students are required to create a free user account for Learning Express, as any modules you use will be saved to your account so that they can be returned to later without loss of data. You can even stop a practice test in the middle and come back to finish it later.

All Library databases, including Learning Express, may be accessed from the Library’s Databases page. For additional information about or assistance with any of the Library’s databases, please contact the Reference Desk at (870) 972-3208.

HOW TO HAVE THE LIBRARY PURCHASE BOOKS AND MEDIA FOR YOUR STUDIES

- Did you know that students can order as many as three books for the Library every semester?

The Student Request Program gives students the opportunity to select materials in support of their studies that will be purchased and added to the Library’s collections.

All currently enrolled ASU-Jonesboro students are eligible to participate by requesting books, CDs, DVDs, or other materials for the Library. Any materials that are related to your classes are eligible. Full information about this program and a link to the request form can be found here.
Every student can request up to three items each semester. You will be notified as soon as anything you request has come in and you will have the first opportunity to borrow the materials.

There are several places to find out what books and other materials are available. Two of the most common commercial sites are Amazon and Barnes and Noble. Two more excellent sites to search are Books In Print and ChoiceReviews Online. You can also stop by the Information Desk in the Library or call (870) 972-3208 and someone will help you find information about the materials you want or show you how to submit the order request.

All materials purchased through this program are labeled “Purchased by Student Request” with a label like the one reproduced with this article, so anyone who ever uses that item will know it was purchased at the request of an ASU student!

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**Banned Books Exhibit on Third Floor of Library:** Come and see some commonly banned books and play the “You Banned What?” guessing game. Each book in the game is covered with brown paper and contains a clue. Can you guess what each banned book really is?

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**WAR OF THE REBELLION ONLINE IN MAKING OF AMERICA**

- Students of American history and Civil War enthusiasts have full-text searchable online access to every volume of the massive sets *The War of the Rebellion: a Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies* and the *Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies in the War of the Rebellion*. Both are components of the *Making of America* website produced and maintained by Cornell University.

These two book titles and 22 19th century journals are fully searchable and pages are reproduced in full pdf scans.

If you prefer using the print volumes, the Library has a full set of *The War of the Rebellion: a Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies* in the General Collection on the third floor. The base call number is E 464 .U6 1985. The Library does not possess a print copy of the naval records.

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Students are encouraged to submit feedback or ask questions about topics covered in this newsletter by emailing Jeff Bailey, Assistant Library Director for Public Services. Previous issues of library4students@astate can be viewed at: [http://www.library.astate.edu/newsletter](http://www.library.astate.edu/newsletter).

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