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Liao, Darlene M. "Leader of the Pack." Chinese Business Review 26.6 May 1999: 7- . ABI/Inform. ProQuest.  
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"Cooling Trend in Antarctica." Futurist May-June 2002: 15. Academic Search Premier. EBSCO. City U of New York, Graduate Center Lib. 22 May 2003 <<http://www.epnet.com/>>.

### **Newspaper Article from Online Database {p. 229}**

Crowley, Michael. "Campaign 2000 / Forbes; Costly Effort Shows Few Results." The Boston Globe. 7 February 2000: A9. Academic Universe. LEXIS-NEXIS. Albert S. Cook Lib., Towson U, Towson, MD. 10 March 2003 <<http://web.lexis-nexis.com/universe>>.

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### Personal Sites {p. 217-218}

Brians, Paul. Chinua Achebe: Things Fall Apart Study Guide. 31 January 2000. Dept. of English, Wash. State U. 10 April 2002 <<http://www.wsu.edu:8000/~brians/anglophone/achebe.html>>.

### Personal Site, no title {p. 218}

Lancashire, Ian. Home page. 28 Mar. 2002. 15 May 2002 <<http://www.chass.utoronto.ca:8080/~ian/>>.

### Professional/Organizational Sites {p. 214}

Romance Language and Literatures Home Page. 1 January 1997. Dept. of Romance Langs. and Lits., U of Chicago. 8 July 2002 <<http://humanities.uchicago.edu/romance/>>.

### Online Book {p. 218-220}

Nesbit, Edith. "Marching Song." Ballads and Lyrics of Socialism. London, 1908. Victorian Women Writers Project. Ed. Perry Willett. Apr. 1997. Indiana U. 12 June 2002 <<http://www.indiana.edu/~letrs/vwwp/nesbit/ballsoc.html#p9>>.

### Entire Internet Site {p. 216-217}

Hoover's Online. 2002. Hoover's Inc. 19 June 2002 <<http://www.hoovers.com/>>.

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