Early English Books Online - EEBO

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Text\_Creation\_Partnership

The **Text Creation Partnership** (TCP) is a not-for-profit organization based in the library of the [University of Michigan](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/University_of_Michigan) since 2000. Its purpose is to produce large-scale full-text electronic resources (especially in the humanities) on behalf of both member institutions (particularly academic libraries) and scholarly publishers, under an arrangement calculated to serve the needs of both, and in so doing to demonstrate the value of a business model that sees corporate and non-profit information-providers as potentially amicable collaborators rather than as antagonistic vendors and customers respectively.[[1]](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Text_Creation_Partnership#cite_note-0)

TCP sponsors three text-creation projects at this time (October 2008). The first and the largest is "EEBO-TCP" (2001- ), an effort to produce structurally marked-up full-text transcriptions of 25,000 of the roughly 125,000 books to be found either in the Pollard and Redgrave and Wing short-title catalogues of early English printed books, or among the [Thomason Tracts](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomason_Tracts), that is, from among nearly all books, pamphlets, and broadsides published in English or in England before 1700. The books are selected and transcribed from the digital scans produced by [ProQuest](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ProQuest) Information and Learning, and distributed by them as a web-based product under the name "Early English Books Online" (EEBO). The scans from which the texts are transcribed were themselves made from the microfilm copies made over the years by ProQuest and its antecedent companies, including the original University Microfilms, Inc.[[2]](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Text_Creation_Partnership#cite_note-1) EEBO-TCP has so far produced e-texts of about 22,250 books. With the original goal of 25,000 titles in sight, efforts are underway to fund a sequel project (EEBO-TCP(2)), with the goal of converting all the remaining unique English-language monographs (roughly 44,000 additional titles).

The second TCP project was and is Evans-TCP (2003- ), an effort to transcribe 6,000 of the 36,000 pre-1800 titles listed in Charles Evans' *American Bibliography,* and distributed, again as page images scanned from microfilm copies, by [Readex](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Readex), a division of NewsBank under the name "[Archive of Americana](http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Archive_of_Americana&action=edit&redlink=1)" ("Early American Imprints, series I: Evans, 1639-1800"). Evans-TCP has so far produced e-texts of more than 3,700 books.

The most recent TCP project is ECCO-TCP (2005- ), an effort to transcribe 10,000 eighteenth-century books from among the 136,000 titles available in [Thomson-Gale](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomson-Gale)'s web-based resource, "Eighteenth-Century Collections Online" (ECCO). ECCO-TCP has so far produced about 1,500 books in e-text form.

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**Organization**

The TCP is overseen by a Board of Directors, drawn chiefly from senior library administrators at partner institutions, representatives of the corporate partners, and the [Council on Library and Information Resources](http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Council_on_Library_and_Information_Resources&action=edit&redlink=1) (CLIR). The Board is assisted in matters of selection and scholarship by an academic advisory group that includes faculty in the fields of early modern English and American studies.

The TCP has informal ties to a number of University-based scholarly text projects, especially in helping to provide them with source texts with which to work. Institutions represented include Northwestern University (IL), Oxford University (UK), Washington University (St. Louis), the University of Sydney (Australia), the University of Toronto (ON), and the University of Victoria (BC). TCP has also worked with students by sponsoring an Undergraduate Essay Contest every year, convening task forces on the uses of TCP texts in pedagogy, and appealing to scholars and students for ideas on selection and use.

Text production is managed through the University of Michigan's [Digital Library Production Service](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Digital_Library_Production_Service) (DLPS), with its extensive experience in the production of SGML/XML-encoded electronic texts. DLPS is assisted by [Oxford University](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oxford_University) Library's Systems and Electronic Resources Service (SERS). Small part-time production operations have also been started within two other libraries: the Centre for Reformation and Renaissance Studies in Pratt Library (Victoria University in the University of Toronto) -- specializing in Latin books --, and the National Library of Wales (Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru) in Aberystwyth -- specializing, naturally, in Welsh books.

**Commonalities**

All three current TCP text projects are very similar. In each case:

1. The TCP produces text from commercial image files that have in turn been created from microfilm copies of early books.
2. The commercial image providers receive what is in effect a full-text index to their image product for much less than it would cost to produce themselves: value added to their product.
3. The partner libraries actually own, rather than simply license, the resultant texts, and are free (subject to some conditions) to mount the texts themselves in whatever system they like, or use the texts internally as a tool of scholarship and teaching.
4. The texts are created according to library-determined standards, uniform across multiple data-sets and potentially cross-searchable.
5. Because they are created collaboratively, the texts are relatively inexpensive (on a per-book basis) and become more so with each library that joins the partnership.
6. The texts will eventually be made freely accessible to the public at large.
7. The selection of texts to convert, though differing from project to project, in each case follows similar principles: variety, significance, representative quality, avoidance of duplication; specific requests from faculty or scholarly initiatives at member institutions are also generally honored.
8. TCP has been hitherto primarily interested in creating texts, not in creating a "product"; though texts from all three projects are or will be mounted on servers at the University of Michigan library, the Michigan site is not the official TCP site: any partner library with adequate resources and safeguards may do the same. EEBO-TCP texts, for example, are served by Michigan, ProQuest, the Oxford University Digital Library, and the University of Chicago.

**Standards**

All three current TCP text projects are produced in the same way and to the same standards, which are documented, at least in part, on the [TCP web site](http://www-personal.umich.edu/%7Epfs/dox/www.lib.umich.edu/tcp/docs/).

1. **Accuracy.** The TCP strives to produce texts that are as accurately transcribed as possible, with a specified overall accuracy rate of 99.995% or better (i.e. one error or fewer per 20,000 characters).
2. **Keying.** Given the nature of the material, the only method found to deliver such accuracy economically has been to have the books keyed by data conversion firms under contract.
3. **Quality control.** Accuracy of transcription and aptness of markup are assessed in all cases by a group of library-based proofers and reviewers managed by the University of Michigan DLPS.
4. **Encoding.** All resultant text files are marked up in valid SGML or XML (SGML is archived, XML is exported) conforming to a proprietary "Document Type Description" (DTD) derived from the P3/P4 version of the [Text Encoding Initiative](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Text_Encoding_Initiative) (TEI) standard.
5. **Purposeful markup.** Compared to the full TEI, the TCP DTD is very simple and intended to capture only the features most useful for intelligible display, intelligent navigation, and productive searching. The TCP practice is to capture, so far as feasible, the overall hierarchical structure of each book (parts, sections, chapters, etc.); the features that tend to mark the beginnings and ends of divisions (headings, explicits, salutations, valedictions, datelines, bylines, epigraphs, etc.); the most significant elements of discourse and organization (paragraphs in prose, lines and stanzas in verse, speeches, speakers, and stage directions in drama, notes, block quotes, sequential numerations of all kinds); and only the most essential aspects of physical formatting (page breaks, lists, tables, font changes).
6. **Fidelity to the original.** In each case, the text is intended to represent the book as originally printed, so far as that is possible. Printer's errors are preserved, hand-written changes are ignored, duplicate scans are omitted, out-of-order images are keyed in the intended order, and most of the unusual characters of the original are preserved.
7. **Ease of reading and searching.** At the same time, though the transcriptions are carried out character-by-character, TCP, on the theory that all transcription is a kind of translation from one symbolic system to another, tends to define characters in terms more of their meaning than of their form, and to map eccentric letter-forms to meaningful modern equivalents, generally in keeping with the Unicode definition of "character."
8. **Languages.** Though most of the TCP texts are in English, many are not. Books and divisions of books not in English are tagged with an appropriate language code, but are not otherwise distinguished.
9. **Omitted material.** The TCP produces Latin-alphabet *text*. Non-textual material such as musical notation, mathematical formulae, and illustrations (except for any text they may contain) are omitted and their locations marked with a special tag. Extended text in non-Latin alphabets (Greek, Hebrew, Persian, etc.) is also omitted.

**Accomplishments and prospects**

As of October 2008, the TCP had created about 27,500 searchable, navigable, full-text transcriptions of early books, a database of unmatched scope, scale, and utility to students in many fields. Whether it will be able to go on to produce the remaining 57,000 texts included in its ambitious recent plans will depend on the validity of its original vision, arising from the theory that libraries could and should cooperate to become producers and standard-setters rather than consumers; and that universities and commercial firms, despite their very different life-cycles, constraints, and motives, could join in durable partnerships of benefit to all parties.

**References**

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2. [**^**](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Text_Creation_Partnership#cite_ref-1) [Beamish, Rita](http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Rita_Beamish&action=edit&redlink=1) (July 29, 1999). ["Online Archive Will Preserve Earliest English Books"](http://www.nytimes.com/library/tech/99/07/circuits/articles/29engl.html). *New York Times*. <http://www.nytimes.com/library/tech/99/07/circuits/articles/29engl.html>. Retrieved 2007-01-04.

**External links**

* [Main (Michigan) TCP web site](http://www.lib.umich.edu/tcp/)
* [Oxford TCP web site](http://www.odl.ox.ac.uk/eebo/)
* [Internal TCP documentation](http://www.lib.umich.edu/tcp/docs/)
* Demonstration sites (open to the public) for
  + [EEBO-TCP](http://www.hti.umich.edu/e/eebodemo/)
  + [ECCO-TCP](http://www.hti.umich.edu/e/eccodemo/)
  + [Evans-TCP](http://www.hti.umich.edu/e/evansdemo/)
* Database-access sites (open to members of partner institutions) for
  + EEBO-TCP at
    - [the University of Michigan (via DLXS)](http://ets.umdl.umich.edu/e/eebo/)
    - [the University of Chicago (via PhiloLogic)](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/efts/EEBO/)
    - [Oxford University (via DLXS)](http://dlxs.odl.ox.ac.uk/e/eebo/)
    - [the ProQuest EEBO site.](http://eebo.chadwyck.com/home)
  + Evans-TCP at [the University of Michigan (via DLXS)](http://ets.umdl.umich.edu/e/evans/).
  + ECCO-TCP at [the University of Michigan (via DLXS)](http://ets.umdl.umich.edu/e/ecco/).

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http://www.jisc-collections.ac.uk/eebo

## Early English Books Online (EEBO) - TCP (Text Creation Partnership)

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Academic Archive logo](http://www.jisc-collections.ac.uk/catalogue/ukna_archive)](http://www.jisc-collections.ac.uk/catalogue/ukna_archive)

Early English Books Online (EEBO) has been purchased by JISC and is available to UK Higher and Further Education institutions and Research Councils. The **content is free in perpetuity**, but a **fee applies for access** via the publisher's server.

Institutions now have online access to 22.5 million pages from more than 125,000 books from 1473 to 1700. EEBO is being further enhanced through the JISC-funded **Text Creation Project**\*, that is re-keying 20% of the titles in the collection to make them fully searchable for the first time.

\*The EEBO-TCP project is an international scholarly collaboration and partnership between Oxford University, the University of Michigan, JISC, the Council on Library and Information Resources, and ProQuest Information and Learning.

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## Content description

**Early English Books Online (EEBO) - TCP (Text Creation Partnership) includes the following:**

**EEBO**

As of December 2005, EEBO contains bibliographic records for 106,540 printed works, of which 97,905 are available in their entirety in the form of digital facsimile page images ('Document Images'). On completion the collection will offer in the region of 125,000 bibliographic records, with each record accompanied by one or more Document Images sets. EEBO currently includes almost 400 periodicals from the Thomason Tracts Collection.

**TCP**

This exceptional partnership has proposed to create 25,000 searchable and readable editions that link immediately to the corresponding Early English Books Online image files. In combination, the text and image editions of these works provide a powerful research and instructional tool of unquestioned enduring value.

There will be approximately 25,000 titles contained in the Early English Books Online - Text Creation Partnership selected from the Early English Books Online database of 125,000 titles available from ProQuest Information and Learning.

[Full product description](http://www.jisc-collections.ac.uk/catalogue/coll_eebo/product_desc.aspx).

##### Additional Content

**EEBO and the TCP collection**

[Link to case studies and guides to support use of EBBO and TCP](http://restricted.jisc.ac.uk/exemplars_he/)  (Please note that you must be within an education institution to access the exemplars online).

A collection of searchable keyed full-text versions of a selection of EEBO Document Images sets is available from the Text Creation Partnership (TCP). Partner institutions (including all UK HE institutions) can cross-search this collection with bibliographic information in EEBO via the ProQuest EEBO interface and via the TCP's sites. As of December 2005, almost 10,000 TCP texts from a projected total of 25,000 are available in EEBO.

The constituent collections of EEBO (STC I, Wing and the Thomason Tracts) are available as subsets for purchase or subscription.

##### Main subject areas

All humanities disciplines concerned in any way with the printed record of early modern England and the English-speaking world, principally:

* Bibliography and Textual Studies
* Cultural Studies
* English and Literary Studies
* Gender Studies
* History
* History and Philosophy of Science
* History of Art and Architecture
* History of Law
* Intellectual History and the History of Political Thought
* Linguistics
* Music and the History of Music
* Philosophy and Theology/Religious Studies

EEBO may also be of some relevance to teaching and research in Classics, Medieval and Modern Languages and Oriental Studies.

##### Academic level

Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Research.

##### Date range

1473 - 1700

##### Updates

**EEBO**

On average, more than 2,500 new Document Images sets each quarter.

**TCP**

500 titles are added on a bi-monthly basis.

##### Publisher's selection policy

**EEBO**

When complete, EEBO will contain facsimile page images of virtually every work printed in England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and British North America, and works in English printed elsewhere, from 1473–1700.

EEBO includes works listed in the following bibliographies wherever these have been made available for filming and digitization:

A short-title catalogue of books printed in England, Scotland, & Ireland and of English books printed abroad, 1475-1640, compiled by A.W. Pollard & G.R. Redgrave.

Short-title catalogue of books printed in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and British America, and of English books printed in other countries, 1641-1700, compiled by Donald Wing.

In addition it currently includes images of the entire Thomason Tracts collection - a unique collection of political tracts, broadsides and newspapers amassed by George Thomason (d.1666) between the outbreak of the English Civil War and the Restoration in 1660 - filmed from the originals in the British Library.

**TCP**

Titles are selected using four criteria. First, we use the New Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature. Second, only first editions are included (unless there is a compelling scholarly reason to do otherwise). Third, editions are not excluded because they are available in other collections. Fourth, TCP focuses on the earliest and rarest materials from the late fifteenth and early sixteenth centuries. Another important aspect of our selection policy is ongoing collaboration with the community. It is important that scholars and students suggest and advise the project as it continues on how to select content and in what ways TCP can meet the needs of future researchers.

Our editorial policy is confomant with Text Encoding Initiative lite (with some additions). In essence TCP is trying to create a base file which scholars at a later date may then be able to add new markup and re-tool TCP texts for their own purposes (scholarly or pedagogical projects).

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## Cost

The JISC has made a significant investment in licensing the content of this vast collection. The content is available to institutions free of charge as JISC has purchased the content in perpetuity on their behalf. However, institutions do need to pay an annual hosting fee to the publisher, if they wish to access the content via the ProQuest servers, taking advantage of the search interface developed for EEBO and TCP.

| **JISC Band** | **Year 1** | **Year 2** | **Year 3** | **Year 4** |
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| E | £1,000 | £1,030 | £1,061 | £1,093 |
| F | £700 | £721 | £743 | £765 |
| G | £498 | £513 | £528 | £544 |
| H | £342 | £352 | £363 | £374 |
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| J | £78 | £80 | £83 | £85 |

##### Notes

Year 1 runs from 1 January 2007 - 31 December 2007.  
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Year 3 runs from 1 January 2009 - 31 December 2009.  
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## Subscription and licensing

[Subscribe to this agreement](http://www.jisc-collections.ac.uk/catalogue/coll_eebo/subscribe) and have access to the content via the publisher's platform.

The agreement complies with the terms of the JISC Model Licence.

For further details of the JISC Model Licence please refer to the [Guide to the JISC Model Licence](http://www.jisc-collections.ac.uk/model_licence).

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## Additional Authorised User Initiative

ProQuest CSA has agreed to extend access to Additional Authorised User groups for purposes as defined below. If you would like to participate, please print out the licence, complete Schedule 2 and return it to the publisher. Contact details are provided on the licence.

* Additional Authorised User licence for educational use. This licence will enable institutions, for an additional fee, to provide access to defined user groups at Partner Organisations for educational purposes only. The Partner Organisation may be within the UK or overseas. [Download the licence](http://www.jisc-collections.ac.uk/media/documents/jisc_collections/aauproqeebo.doc).
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## Functionality and standards compliance

##### Full text linking

Durable URL Bookmarking

One-click bookmarking allows direct access to frequently used pages with OpenURL links. All works in EEBO, as well as all search and browse screens, now feature a 'Durable URL' button which opens a satellite window containing a durable URL link. These links can be pasted into emails, web pages, reading lists and e-learning systems to allow direct linking for other users from subscribing institutions.

You can also download an Excel spreadsheet offering a set of durable URLs for all of the periodicals in EEBO with information on publication frequency and dates of issue. This is available in the EEBO Information Resources area (at <http://eebo.chadwyck.com/info_res/info_res.htm#linking>).

Inbound OpenURL Linking

EEBO is a target for inbound OpenURL linking, allowing users to link from outbound compatible sources such as the ESTC to items available in EEBO. See the document available in the EEBO Information Resources area (at <http://eebo.chadwyck.com/info_res/info_res.htm#linking>) for more information about the functionality supported by the EEBO link resolver module for inbound linking from external resources.

##### Federated searching

Z39.50 compliant. Information on how customers can configure their Z39.50 software to search EEBO is available on the EEBO Z39.50 configuration information page (at <http://eebo.chadwyck.com/info_res/z3950.htm>).

##### MARC records

**Free EEBO MARC Records**

Two EEBO MARC records are provided free of charge to all users and can be downloaded directly from this page using the link below. One of these free MARC records provides cataloguing information for the Early English Books Online database in its entirety. The other provides cataloguing information about one of the component parts of the EEBO database, the Thomason Tracts collection. These MARC records can be loaded into catalogue systems and contain durable links (in the 856 field) to the EEBO homepage and to the Browse Thomason Tracts screen respectively.

**MARC Records for Works in EEBO**

MARC records for each of the 100,000 works currently in EEBO are also available. Libraries can locally load these records into their Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC), allowing library patrons to link seamlessly from the library's OPAC to the corresponding EEBO image. EEBO MARC records are a rich bibliographic resource for understanding important details about each work in EEBO. EEBO MARC records contain not only author, title, and Library of Congress subject headings for each title, but also extensive information about the printer, marginal notes, pagination details, etc.

ProQuest is currently delivering MARC records for STCI Units 1-67, STCII Units 1-113 and the Thomason Tracts. In November 2003 the 856 links were updated with the new EEBO URL ([eebo.chadwyck.com](http://eebo.chadwyck.com/)) and converted to OpenURL format. All records in the previous format will be redirected indefinitely, and libraries that have purchased EEBO MARC records from ProQuest Information and Learning will be offered refreshed files at no charge.

To request new or upgraded EEBO MARC records, please [contact the Webmaster](http://eebo.chadwyck.com/about/webmaster.htm).

For information about purchasing EEBO MARC records, please contact [pqsales@il.proquest.com](mailto:pqsales@il.proquest.com) or your local ProQuest representative.

**TCP**

MARC records are provided as texts are cataloged. They will be accessible to all through the University of Michigan catalog. Also, institutions that would like TCP to provide them with records as they are updated can contact [tcp-info@umich.edu](mailto:tcp-info@umich.edu)

Records are provided in MARC standard and texts are TEI compliant.

##### Metadata standards

TBC

##### Search options

Keyword(s), Author Keyword(s), Title Keyword(s) Subject Keyword(s) and according to Bibliographic Number. The Basic Search screen also allows users to limit searches according to the date of publication.

From the Advanced Search screen a number of additional fields are available, including Imprint, Reel Position, Illustration Type, Source Library, Language, Country of Origin etc.

The Periodicals Search screen allows users to enter more advanced queries relating specifically to the periodical content in EEBO. In particular it allows users to retrieve issues of periodicals current on a particular day or during a particular week, month or year (whereas Basic and Advanced Search queries only allow users to specify date ranges in years). Note however that all periodical content in EEBO is included in the results for Basic and Advanced Search queries where appropriate.

TCP partner institutions are presented with a different version of the EEBO interface that includes additional fields relating specifically to the keyed TCP full text. The Advanced Search screen offers a separate Full Text Keyword(s) field with its own 'Limit Full Text Keyword(s) within...' field, the latter allowing users to restrict a search to e.g. Songs or Stage Directions.

All fields support use of single-character (?) and truncation operators (\*); an 'Include Typographical Variants' checkbox makes it possible automatically to retrieve variants such as loue for love and Iames for James.

EEBO can be integrated with Literature Online in institutions with a subscription to that service.

**TCP**

Institutions signed up to the JISC EEBO agreement who wish to search the TCP interface should contact Mark Sandler, [sandler@umich.edu](mailto:sandler@umich.edu) , at the University of Michigan.

##### Post-search options

EEBO Marked List functionality allows users to Print, Email and Download records in a variety of formats, i.e. Text (Short Record), Text (Full Record), EndNote, ProCite, Reference Manager and RefWorks.

EEBO Search History functionality facilitates re-execution and combination of searches.

Document Images sets can be downloaded in their entirety or in part in PDF format.

##### Usage statistics

EEBO usage statistics are modelled as closely as possible on the requirements for web statistics produced by the International Coalition of Library Consortia (ICOLC). Though some changes were necessary because of the nature of the Early English Books Online database, the publishers of EEBO have kept to the spirit of the ICOLC requirements.

Usage statistics are available to librarians and systems administrators in a password-protected area within the Information Resources section at <http://eebo.chadwyck.com/info_res/info_res.htm>.

##### Authentication

These resources are UK Access Management Federation Compliant.

**EEBO**

ATHENS, IP range   
Username and Password; Referrer URL

**TCP**

Institutions signed up to the JISC EEBO agreement who wish to access the TCP interface at University of Michigan should contact Mark Sandler, [sandler@umich.edu](mailto:sandler@umich.edu).

##### Personalisation of the online resource

**EEBO**

Librarians can customise the EEBO interface at an institutional level by adding library branding and/or by activating (or suppressing) links to resources in Literature Online.

**TCP**

TCP does allow users to add found items into a "bookbag" feature. They can then search just within texts found in the bookbag.

##### Accessibility

**EEBO**

A number of accessibility features have been implemented in EEBO to make the site more accessible to people with visual, motor or cognitive disabilities. The site complies with WAI Priority 1 accessibility standards and some features also contribute towards compliance with Priority 2 and 3 guidelines. For full details, see <http://eebo.chadwyck.com/about/about_access.htm>.

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## Library support information

##### Login URL

<http://eebo.chadwyck.com/home>

##### Product documentation

**EEBO**

<http://eebo.chadwyck.com/info_res/info_res.htm>

**TCP**

<http://www.lib.umich.edu/tcp/eebo/proj_des/pd_production.html>

##### Training materials

**EEBO**

<http://www.proquest.co.uk/training/viewpack.asp?training=44>

**TCP**

<http://www.lib.umich.edu/tcp/eebo/edu/edu_intro.html>

##### Administrative and technical support

**EEBO**

<http://eebo.chadwyck.com/about/tech_support.htm>

**TCP**

[http://www.odl.ox.ac.uk/eebo/eebo.html](http://www.odl.ox.ac.uk/eebo/)

##### User Support

**EEBO**

Contact the EEBO Webmaster at <http://eebo.chadwyck.com/about/webmaster.htm>

**TCP**

<http://www.odl.ox.ac.uk/eebo/>

##### Reviews

**EEBO**

<http://eebo.chadwyck.com/marketing/>

**TCP**

<http://www.lib.umich.edu/tcp/eebo/archive/archive_reviews.html>

##### Trial access

Email us at [trial\_access@jisc.ac.uk](mailto:trial_access@jisc.ac.uk?subject=Trial%20access%20for%20EEBO) to arrange trial access.

##### Subscription help

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