Web Resources

Flow of Information
http://libguides.sonoma.edu/c.php?g=202719&p=1336494

Using Hurricane Katrina as an example, this page illustrates the flow of information about an event over time, identifying the various forms that it takes and where it is found.

Database Search Tips: Overview (https://libguides.mit.edu/c.php?g=175963&p=1160724)

This site from MIT Libraries contains guidelines for searching library databases, which, as the site notes, "is a bit different from searching Google." There are links within the site to "Boolean operators," "Truncation," "Keywords vs. subjects," "Fields," "Phrases," and "Stop words." For those unfamiliar with Boolean algebra or logic, we especially recommend this link. Named for Irish mathematician George Boole, the logic is based on three operators—AND, OR, and NOT. Using these operators will enable you to narrow or expand searches more effectively and thus get better search results.

Evaluating Web Pages
(http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/Evaluate.html)

This tutorial from the University of California, Berkeley, library provides a thorough list of techniques and questions to ask in evaluating information posted on the web.

ASA Quick Style Guide
(http://www.asanet.org/documents/teaching/pdfs/Quick_Tips_for_ASA_Style.pdf)

This site from the American Sociological Association overlaps but extends Box 14.2 in the text.