

# Quotations Database

## FILE DESCRIPTION

The **Quotations Database** is an omnibus file of literary, political, and other quotations of note. The file consists of material from *The Oxford Dictionary of Quotations* (ODQ) published by the Oxford University Press. ODQ was originally compiled in the 1930's; the third edition was published in 1979. The database presents relatively brief quotations accompanied by the author's name, birth and death dates, and the source of the quote. Material is drawn from: poets, novelists, playwrights, politicians, public figures, The Bible, Vulgate, the Book of Common Prayer, the Latin Mass, ballads, Greek and Latin classics, modern European language classics, and famous historical mots, dicta, quips, and utterances.

## SUBJECT COVERAGE

Material is drawn from:

- Ballads
- Bible
- *Book of Common Prayer*
- Famous historical mots, dicta, quips, and utterances
- Greek and Latin classics
- Latin Mass
- Modern European language classics
- Novelists
- Playwrights
- Poets
- Politicians
- Public figures
- Vulgate

## SOURCES

Initially, the **Quotations Database** contains *The Oxford Dictionary of Quotations*. Other quotations sources will be added to the file in the future.

## DIALOG FILE DATA

Inclusive Dates: Biblical times - 1979

Update Frequency: Closed

File Size: 14,117 records

## CONTACT

The Quotations Database is produced by The Oxford University Press. All questions concerning file content should be directed to:

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## SAMPLE RECORD

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
|               | 00012581 DIALOG File 175: QUOTATIONS DATABASE  |
| AU=, YB=, YD= | STERNE, LAURENCE 1713-1768   |
| /TX           | Digressions, incontestably, are the sunshine;--they are the life, the soul of reading;--take them out of this book for instance,--you might as well take the book along with them. |
| SO=, /NT      | SOURCE/NOTES: Tristram Shandy (1760-67). bk.I, ch.22   |
| SF=           | Oxford Dictionary of Quotations  |

## SEARCH OPTIONS

## BASIC INDEX

| SEARCH SUFFIX | DISPLAY CODE | FIELD NAME             | INDEXING | SELECT EXAMPLES      |
|---------------|--------------|------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| —             | —            | All Basic Index Fields | Word     | S SUNSHINE           |
| /NT           | NT           | Note <sup>1</sup>      | Word     | S BK(W)1/NT          |
| /TX           | TX           | Quotation <sup>2</sup> | Word     | S SOUL(1W)READING/TX |

<sup>1</sup> Also searchable using SO=; general note-type information is often included with the Source information.

<sup>2</sup> All words, including DIALOG stop words, are searchable; DIALOG logical operators (AND, OR, NOT) and reserved words (FILES, FROM, STEPS) must be enclosed in quotation marks.

## ADDITIONAL INDEXES

| SEARCH PREFIX | DISPLAY CODE | FIELD NAME              | INDEXING | SELECT EXAMPLES                      |
|---------------|--------------|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| —             | AN           | DIALOG Accession Number |          |                                      |
| AU=           | AU           | Author                  | Phrase   | S AU=STERNE, LAURENCE                |
| SF=           | SF           | Subfile                 | Phrase   | S SF=OXFORD DICTIONARY OF QUOTATIONS |
| SO=           | SO           | Source Information      | Word     | S SO=(TRISTRAM(W)SHANDY)             |
|               |              |                         |          | S SO=(CH(W)22)                       |
| YB=           | YB           | Year of Birth           | Phrase   | S YB=1713                            |
| YD=           | YD           | Year of Death           | Phrase   | S YD=1768                            |

## SPECIAL FEATURES

For command descriptions, enter HELP LIMIT, HELP SORT, HELP RANK online.

|             |   |                                       |
|-------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| <b>SORT</b> | AU, YB, YD  | SORT S13/ALL/YB<br>PRINT S5/5/1-25/YD |
| <b>RANK</b> | All phrase- and numeric-indexed fields in the Additional Indexes can be ranked. | RANK AU S3                            |

## PREDEFINED FORMAT OPTIONS

| NO. | DIALOGWEB FORMAT | RECORD CONTENT  |
|-----|------------------|---|
| 1   | --               | DIALOG Accession Number   |
| 2   | Short            | Full Record except Source and Subfile   |
| 3   | Medium           | Full Record except Subfile  |
| 5   | Long             | Full Record   |
| 6   | Free             | Quotation (Text) only   |
| 9   | Full             | Full Record   |
| K   | --               | KWIC (Key Word In Context) displays a window of text; may be used alone or with other formats |

## OTHER OUTPUT OPTIONS

For an explanation, enter HELP TYPE, HELP UDF, HELP TAG online.

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|-----------------------------|---|--|
| <b>USER DEFINED FORMATS</b> | User-defined formats may be specified using the display codes indicated in the Search Options tables. | TYPE S3/AU, TX/1-5   |
| <b>TAG</b>                  | Output can be displayed with tags identifying each display field..                                    | TYPE S2/3/1-5 TAG  |
| <b>DIRECT RECORD ACCESS</b> | DIALOG Accession Number   | TYPE 00012581/5<br>DISPLAY 00006317/AU, TX<br>PRINT 00005253/5 |

## FOR ONLINE HELP:

See HELP FIELDS 175 for searchable fields; HELP FORMAT 175 for output formats; HELP LIMIT 175 for limits; HELP RATES 175 for cost information; HELP SORT 175 for sorts.