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All of the special encyclopedias on this list can be found in the Reference Collection on the first floor. The following list is arranged by subject areas; it can help you select a special encyclopedia to find specific information, or to clarify and define a possible research topic. It is by no means exhaustive, so you are encouraged to scan the shelves, and notice the titles near the ones listed here.

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