Assignment: Find answers to these questions and explain the steps taken to arrive at the answers. Unless otherwise noted, do NOT use web-based resources (i.e. Google, etc.). You can, however, use MIRLYN and other library-based electronic finding aids.

1. What was the headline in the local Ann Arbor paper on February 27, 1959?

2. What was the headline in the New York Times for the same day?

3. How many steamboats blew up on American rivers in 1833?

4. What is a Sanborn Insurance Map? How can you access one offline? Online? (Web resources okay.)

5. What is the title of the book located at 185.61 G85 1976? What is the book next to it on the shelf?

6. Who wrote the article “How to Help Your Husband Get Ahead,” published in Coronet in January 1954?

7. What did it cost to ship sugar from the Caribbean to Boston in 1765?

8. What was the WPA Slave Narrative Project? Where are these materials located? Are any collected in published form? Are any accessible online? (Web resources okay for latter part of question.)

9. Why are Plessy v. Ferguson and Talton v. Mayes landmark cases? What do they have in common?

10. Using the 1790 census, find out how many slaves were owned by Stephen Slote (Sloat, Slot) of Rockland County, New York?

11. What was the most dangerous occupational illness confronting housepainters in the late nineteenth century? If possible, find a private or government report offering statistics.

12. Visit and collect a bookmark or the signature of a librarian in each of these places: Art Library, Science Library, Map Library, Undergrad Library, University Reserves.