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1. Get expert help with the Internet.
2. Use the library's public-access computers free of charge.
3. Keep up with all the news and trends with your favorite newspapers and magazines or online.
4. Check out the latest best sellers.
5. Prepare to tackle those needed home improvement projects with how-to guidebooks, tapes and DVDs.
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8. Find biographies of the great — and the not-so-great.
9. Research health-related concerns.
10. Explore science and history — or travel the world.
11. Use consumer research articles in print and on the Web to find best buys on everything you need or want.
12. Learn how to invest in an IRA and which type of IRA might be best for you.
13. Investigate the best schools, colleges and universities for yourself and your children.
14. Enjoy storytimes with your children.
15. Sign up for and participate in a book club.
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17. Enjoy book talks for teens or adults.
18. Get help with science-fair projects and term papers.
19. Find the movie version of the book you enjoyed — and vice versa!
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21. Research local history.
22. Learn another language.
23. Borrow CDs and DVDs to decide if you like them before you buy copies of your own.
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28. Save money by borrowing items instead of buying them.
29. Learn about community-wide programs and how to join one that's right for you.
30. Plan a vacation anywhere from Alaska to Zanzibar.
31. Discover a poem that will tell your significant other how you feel about them.
32. Find out what made headlines on the day you were born.
33. Learn the best ways to train your puppy or parrot — or even an iguana.
34. Get help on preparing your will.
35. Learn how to write a resume.
36. Check out a couple of great books on tape that the whole family can enjoy on the long drive to Grandma's.
37. Find out how to replace a lost birth certificate.
38. Check your e-mail with our free Internet access.
39. Get the lyrics of the song you listened to on the radio.
40. Obtain forms for federal financial aid.
41. Learn how to obtain a U.S. patent or trademark.
42. Find out where to get a variety of free government publications.
43. Get IRS and Georgia tax forms in the library or online.
44. Find federal statistics on everything from cell phones to Internet use across the U.S. and around the world.
45. Teach someone to read.
46. Find the correct temperature to cook a Thanksgiving turkey — and recipes for a new side dish.
47. Turn in a list of books and other materials that you would like to see the library acquire.
48. Suggest improvements to your library and know that your suggestions will be welcomed.
49. See historical documents and original works of art on display.
50. Research your library account online.



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