The following resources will help you in your research on the Oregon Trail.

Remember you need to site your sources in MLA format. Easybib is a free electronic tool to create your work cited page.

School Databases
History in Context – Search using KEY WORDS, not phrases
E- Reference Books from Gale - Search using KEY WORDS, not phrases

Websites
The Oregon-Trail Home page
Don't miss this site! You'll find a complete primer on the Oregon Trail, historic sites on the trail, fantastic facts about the Oregon Trail, and diaries and memoirs. Site was developed to accompany the award-winning PBD video.

National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretative Center at Flagstaff Hill
Their history of the trail includes basic facts about the trail, frequently asked questions, artifacts, a map, and links to other sites. Excellent resource!

History Net - Oregon Trail
Excellent map of the trail can be found at this site.

TRAILS OVERVIEW
A short history of the Oregon and other trails.

The Applegate Trail
Three brothers attempted to establish a safer route on the southern section of the Oregon Trail.

The Oregon Trail
In association with the computer game of the same name created by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt and The Learning Company. This site contains both informative articles and fun activities. Includes links to the game.

Frequently Asked Questions About the Oregon Trail
Provided by the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management.
Perry-Casteneda Library Map Collection
Check out maps of what the United States looked like in the 1800s before and after Westward Expansion. There is map of the Oregon Trail from 1907. There are also maps that show the routes of Lewis and Clark and other early pioneers in the Western United States.

Related Maps
Oregon Trail 1852-1906
Westward Expansion 1815-1845
Early Indian Tribes, Cultural Areas, and Linguistic Stocks-Western US

Daily Life on the Trail

What was life like on the trail for early pioneers? Visit this ThinkQuest site to find out.

Food on the Oregon Trail

Print Books

There is a cart of books on this on reserve in the library, see the librarians for help.