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* African Cultural Heritage Sites and Landscapes
* African Plants
* Struggles for Freedom in Southern Africa
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Formed by merging Anthropological Literature (from Harvard University) and Anthropological Index (from the Royal Anthropological Institute from the UK). Provides extensive worldwide indexing of journal articles, reports, commentaries, edited works, and obituaries in the fields of social, cultural, physical, biological, and linguistic anthropology, ethnology, archaeology, folklore, material culture, and interdisciplinary studies.

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Comprehensive database that contains citations with abstracts to journal articles, books, book reviews, collective works and dissertations in all areas of economics. Coverage is from 1969.

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Contains citations and abstracts of journal articles, some book reviews and dissertations in all areas of the history of the world (except United States & Canada) from 1450 to the present.

International Political Science Abstracts. [Web Access]
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International Security and Counter Terrorism Reference Centre. [Web Access]
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Citations with abstracts to journal articles, reports, books and conferences covering topics such as agricultural and natural resource economics, rural development, regional policy and development, international trade, food policy and security. Coverage is current 10 years.

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