

TIPS WHEN IN SEARCH OF FREEDOM SEEKERS:

USE YOUR MD LIBRARY CARD TO GO TO ENOCH PRATT LIBRARY WEBSITE (use databases under Research)

KEEP A LOG OF SEARCH TACTICS ALREADY TRIED

GOOGLE PERIODICALLY FOR NEW POSTINGS; TRY SEARCHING "CECIL FUGITIVE SLAVE"

MAKE A CHRONOLOGY OF IMPORTANT EVENTS TO GIVE YOU A CONTEXT FOR YOUR "FINDS"

USE MAPS (ESPECIALLY PRE-CIVIL WAR)

CONSULT LIBRARIANS ESPECIALLY IN MARYLAND ROOMS

SERENDIPITY WHEN CHATTING WITH OTHER RESEARCHERS

REMEMBER NOT TO ASK ONLY ABOUT "UNDERGROUND RAILROAD" (TRY ESCAPED SLAVES, STAMPEDES, RIOTS OVER RESCUES ETC)

SEARCH INDICES OF SECONDARY SOURCES UNDER COUNTY, STATE, FUGITIVE, SLAVE, ETC.

DONT BELIEVE EVERYTHING IN PRINT OR IN RECORDS

ALWAYS "TRIANGULATE" — USE PRIMARY SOURCES; CROSS-CHECK

THINK LIKE A 19th CENTURY PERSON