ArchivesAt: Using Wikidata to Enhance Access to Archives

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Adding Archives At (P485) Statements

1. To start, you will need to find the item page for the writer whose page you want to add a statement to. To do this, type their name (and/or Q number, if known) into the search bar at the top right of the Wikidata site:
2. Select the correct item page from the search results:

In some instances (especially if the writer has a common name), you may need to examine the descriptions for multiple item pages to make sure you select the right page.

3. Once you are on the item page for your chosen writer, you'll need to add a statement. Start by scrolling down to the bottom of the list of statements (it may be a long list), and click “+ add statement”:
4. To create your statement, you’ll first be prompted to add a **property**:

Start by typing in the property you are looking for—in this instance, **archives at**. You should see a drop-down menu of properties, which you can select from.

5. Your statement needs a value. Type in the value you are looking for and select the correct one.

The above statement reads that Kōbō Abe (Q186273) (item) has **archives at** (P485) (property) C.V. Starr East Asian Library (Q72000857) (value).
6. Next, you’ll want to add a reference for the statement that you made. To do this, click “add reference”:

![Image of adding reference](image1)

7. You’ll be prompted to add a property for your reference:

![Image of adding property](image2)

In the “Property” field, type in “Reference URL” and select the top option:
8. In the field beside “reference URL,” paste in your URL. For example, you could link to the relevant finding aid:

![Image](image1.png)

9. Next, you’ll also want to add when you retrieved the reference. To do this, select “+ add”:

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10. After you select “+ add,” you will see a line for another property and value. In the “Property” field, type in “retrieved” and select the property. In the value field, type in today’s date:

11. Finally, select “publish” to complete your statement:

12. Your “archives at” statement is complete!