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## It's Summertime!

For many students, the summer is a time for fun, sun and relaxation. For many distance learners, however, summer is just another semester, albeit a somewhat shortened one. In fact, the abbreviated term often contributes to feelings of frustration when the same amount of work is expected in a much shorter period of time.

The UA Libraries want you to remember that when it comes time to write those summer term papers, we're still here to help you! Whether you need a little research advice, or one-on-one assistance with using the Libraries' online databases, help is just a mouse click or phone call away. So don't let the summer semester make you

"hot under the collar" when you find yourself with a research assignment to complete! The Libraries can help you stay cool.

For more information, please contact Maryellen Allen, Distance Learning Librarian (mallen@ua.edu) or call 205-348-8432.



### Cold Summer Soup

4 cucumbers, peeled and diced  
2 green onions, chopped  
1/2 honeydew melon, peeled and diced  
1 serrano chile, chopped fine  
1 rib celery, chopped fine  
1/2 cup rice wine vinegar  
Leaves from 2 sprigs fresh mint leaves, chopped  
Leaves from 1/2 bunch fresh cilantro leaves, chopped  
Extra-virgin olive oil  
Salt  
2 tablespoons low-fat yogurt  
1 lemon  
1 tablespoon chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley

Combine cucumbers, green onions, melon, chile, celery, vinegar, herbs, a drizzle of olive oil, and salt in a large bowl (the cucumbers will give off a lot of juice). Put the bowl in a large pot of ice water to chill for 30 minutes. In another bowl, combine the yogurt, a 2-count of olive oil, a squeeze of lemon, the parsley, and refrigerate.

\*Florence, T., & Food Network. (2008). *Recipes: Cold summer soup: Food network*. Retrieved 05/23, 2008, from [http://www.foodnetwork.com/food/recipes/recipe/0,,FOOD\\_9936\\_29589,00.html](http://www.foodnetwork.com/food/recipes/recipe/0,,FOOD_9936_29589,00.html)



## Introducing RefWorks

RefWorks is a Web-based bibliographic management tool that allows users to create personal databases and use them for a variety of research activities. RefWorks will facilitate your research by automatically generating parenthetical notes, endnotes, and works cited lists in the style of your choice.

Because RefWorks is Web-based, you can get to your account from any place you have Internet access. It's free for UA students, staff, and faculty so why not give it a try? To find out more about RefWorks and how it can help you, visit the Libraries Web page at <http://refworks.ua.edu>



### RefWorks

An online research management and bibliography creator service.

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## Mission Statement

In support of the UA Libraries mission to strive for excellence in advancing the University's teaching, research, and outreach programs, the University of Alabama Libraries provide its distance learning students with resources and services equivalent to those provided to on-campus users. Services extended to UA affiliated distance populations include such things as access to and use of both on-line and print-based information sources, library instruction, reference services, and limited technology assistance.

## Eligibility for Service

All students, faculty and staff currently enrolled in a degree-granting distance program offered by The University of Alabama are eligible for distance learning library services

## Keep In Touch!

Since the libraries are always changing, we encourage our distance users to keep in touch with us. Here are some of the ways we can stay in contact:

### Phone

Reference & Information Services:

205-348-6047

Distance Learning Librarian

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### Email

Ask-A-Librarian

<http://www.lib.ua.edu/forms/refchatquest.htm>

Distance Learning Librarian

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### Chat (Ask-A-Librarian)

<http://www.lib.ua.edu/forms/refchat.htm>

### IM

Email your IM handle and the name of your IM client to [mallen@ua.edu](mailto:mallen@ua.edu)

### MySpace

<http://www.myspace.com/bamalibrarian>

### Facebook

Search for [mallen@bama.ua.edu](mailto:mallen@bama.ua.edu)

View profile and then click "Add to friends"

### At A Distance Blog

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### UA Libraries Homepage

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