

# Access Tools

Go to [mandala.shanti.virginia.edu](https://mandala.shanti.virginia.edu) to see all tools in Mandala. The suite includes five different tools:

- **Audio-Video** for sound and video entries: [audio-video.shanti.virginia.edu](https://audio-video.shanti.virginia.edu)
- **Texts** for short scholarly essays: [texts.shanti.virginia.edu](https://texts.shanti.virginia.edu)
- **Visuals** to visualize data through graphs, charts, and more: [visuals.shanti.virginia.edu](https://visuals.shanti.virginia.edu)
- **Sources** to manage citations: [sources.shanti.virginia.edu](https://sources.shanti.virginia.edu)
- **Knowledge Maps** to link related resources with Subjects and Places: [mandala.shanti.virginia.edu/subjects](https://mandala.shanti.virginia.edu/subjects) and [mandala.shanti.virginia.edu/places](https://mandala.shanti.virginia.edu/places)

In each case, you can go to the tool directly with the links above. You can also go to the tools through the homepage. The **Explore** panel lets you switch tools anywhere in Mandala.

## Use the Homepage

1. Go to [mandala.shanti.virginia.edu](https://mandala.shanti.virginia.edu)
2. Click a tool on the menu below the featured resources
  - A menu will expand
3. Click **Home...**
  - The homepage for that tool will load

## Use the Explore Panel

1. Click **Explore** on any page in Mandala
  - Find this button in the top right corner of any page
2. Click on a tool
  - The homepage for that tool will load