

**A. Preservation vs. conservation**

**B. Agents of deterioration**, from Canadian Conservation Institute (at <http://canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1444330943476>)

1. *Are your objects susceptible?*
2. *If yes, are they at risk?*
3. *How to reduce?*

**Direct physical forces:** sudden damage (shock)/gradual damage (fatigue)/vibration/ pressure/abrasion (results in compression, punctures, dents, tears, cracks, chips, scratches, abrasion)

**Thieves/ vandals**

**Fire/smoke**

**Water**

**Pests:** Insects/microorganisms/rodents

**Pollutants:** chemical agents, incl. gases (eg. acetic acids) liquids, solids; airborne/contact/intrinsic

**Radiation:** UV/visible light/IR

**Incorrect temperatures:** high/low/fluctuating

**Incorrect relative humidity:** damp (over 75%)/above or below a critical value/fluctuations

**Dissociation:** loss of objects, loss of data, or loss of object–data associations, loss of context that gives the object meaning

4. *Inspect initially and regularly: have they been affected?*

**C. Risks of remedial treatment by non-experts (cleaning, repair)**

**D. Resources: Protect/prevent damage, Archival suppliers**

Light Impressions: <http://www.lightimpressionsdirect.com/>

Gaylord: <http://www.gaylord.com/c/Conservation-Supplies>

Hollinger Metal Edge: <http://hollingermetaledge.com/>

Conservation Resources International: <http://conservationresources.com/>

University Products: <http://www.universityproducts.com/>

**Objects Conservation and Preservation Resources**

Web site: Canadian Conservation Institute: <https://www.cci-icc.gc.ca/index-eng.aspx>

CCI Notes: <http://canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1439925167385>

National Park Service, Harpers Ferry Center: <http://www.nps.gov/hfc/>

NPS Conservograms: [http://www.nps.gov/museum/publications/conservoogram/cons\\_toc.html](http://www.nps.gov/museum/publications/conservoogram/cons_toc.html)

Northeast Document Conservation Center: <https://www.nedcc.org/>

NEDCC Leaflets: <https://www.nedcc.org/free-resources/preservation-leaflets/overview>

American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works: <http://cool.conservation-us.org/bytopic/genpub/>

Caring for Your Treasures: Guides for Taking Care of Your Personal Heritage (and other resources): <http://cool.conservation-us.org/bytopic/genpub/>

**Museum-L Archives:** <http://home.ease.lsoft.com/scripts/wa-HOME.exe?A0=MUSEUM-L>