

## Search Tutor

As explained in this website's "Site Overview" page, the objective of this website is to make available to the public the thousands of letters that Mr. Tong Zeng received from the early 1990s from thousands of Chinese victims of atrocities suffered at the hands of the Japanese military during the Second Sino-Japanese War (1931-1945). This website provides a permanent digital archive of that part of written history that will remain available to the world as these victims pass away with age.

As discussed in the "Letters" page, the contents of each letter are captured in an Index File with nine indices:

1. Letter ID (also known as Sequence Number)
2. Nine types of atrocity (an event can be associated with more than one type):
  - a. Slave Laborers (SL)
  - b. Murders (MU, not part of Nanking Massacre or Other Massacres)
  - c. Air Bombings (AB)
  - d. Rapes (RA, not part of Sex Slaves)
  - e. Other Massacres (OM)
  - f. Biological/Chemical Warfare (BC)
  - g. Sex Slaves (SS), also commonly referred to as Comfort Women
  - h. Nanking Massacre (NM)
  - i. Others (OT).
3. Date of event
4. Name(s) of victim(s)
5. Location of event
6. Date of letter
7. Name of author
8. Address of author
9. Other details (information such as the number of people killed, raped, or injured, amount of property damaged, etc.)

This page discusses the search capabilities that facilitate the user to find those letters that contain certain information associated with an atrocity, e.g.,

- A particular kind of atrocity
- That occurred within a certain time frame
- That occurred in a certain locality
- Name(s) of victims
- Name of letter author
- A specific letter ID
- Etc.

In other words, you may search any keyword to search the related letters with or without a category selected.