Katarina needed to work on her assignment on a holiday but the campus was closed.

She thought she remembered hearing the phrase "VPN for remote access" from her classmates and from the librarians. So she went to the Library website and learned how to access online library materials while off campus by using CEU's VPN.

She checked the instructions and learned that she needed to install Cisco AnyConnect software on her computer. She downloaded it from the CEU IT Sharepoint site and set it up with their instructions.

Next, she started the software and connected to vpn.ceu.edu. She needed to use her CEU Outlook email user name (not her full e-mail address) and the password. So she put those in and clicked connect.

After the VPN software was connected, she went to the Library's homepage and typed in her search. Now she could get to to the same resources she'd be able to access if she was on campus. She could read articles online or download them for offline reading.

She noticed that some articles and ebooks displayed a CEU Library logo and some included the sentence: "Access provided by CEU Library." So she knew her VPN connection was working.

She also liked to use Google Scholar and had previously set it up so that Google knew which university she belonged to. She could see the special links: "@findit at CEU Library" next to each result. With the VPN on, she could use those links to get to the library-subscribed articles without paying.

Katarina heard that her classmate Ralf also wanted to access library materials from off campus but he had problems with installing the AnyConnect software. She tried to help him but she wasn't familiar with how to install it on a Mac. So, they emailed the IT Help Desk and got the help he needed.

Katarina and Ralf could now use the databases, ejournals, and ebooks subscribed to by the CEU Library for their mutual assignment.