Database searching tips

You can access all of the databases from the library website. The library homepage has different options for searching databases under "Research a Topic".

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You can also click on "Find books, articles, and more" on the left sidebar and find databases using the A-Z list or browse the databases by topic.

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Let's say you chose the "Search general interest EBSCO databases" link from the homepage. There are three search boxes at the top of the page, and below those are "search options", or ways that you can further customize your search.

For example, if you only want peer-reviewed journals to show up in your results page, check the box below "scholarly (peer-reviewed) journals". There are even more options that aren't shown on this screenshot! From here, you can enter keywords into the search boxes and click "search."

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If you're not sure what keywords to use, see what the database suggests! I started to type "parenting", and it offered me different variations on "parenting" in the drop-down list.

Articles are indexed by keywords that have been chosen by the company that owns the database, and all of the words in the drop-down list are words chosen by the company that describes the article. If you speak their language, you'll have an easier time finding articles.



So, you've found an article about the parenting style of Muslim mothers that you're curious to read more about. How do you get it? Usually, there are two options. If you see an article that has a link to "PDF Full Text" below it (see the 3rd result here with the black arrow pointing to the link), click on the PDF link and you'll be able to save or print the article immediately!

If you don't see a link to HTML or PDF Full Text and just see a blue "get it" button (see the 2nd result here with the red arrow pointing to it), click on the "get it" button. This means that it's not in this exact database, but we might have it somewhere else.

I clicked the blue "get it" button for one of the results and got this screen below. If we have the article in another database or in our print journals, you would see that information in the middle of the screen. We don't have this article at the moment, so it says "Sorry, no holdings were found for this journal" (blue arrow).

But it doesn't have to end there! If you look down the page, you'll see a link that says "Request this item through interlibrary loan with ILLiad" (red arrow). Click on that link, and you can request the article from another library, free of charge!

If you're unsure how to use interlibrary loan, head back to the library's "Get Help" page for information on that.

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