Library Safari

Getting Started with Books and eBooks
What will you learn?

Introduction to the Library
Get help when you need it
Find books & eBooks
Practice

Review today’s content:
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Where to begin?

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A search strategy in 8 steps

1. Choose Databases

MultiSearch
eBooks
Reference Books

See the *How to Find eResources* guide

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2. Find Synonyms

Make Lists
Use a thesaurus and your readings
Watch the Advanced Searching video

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Here’s an example

Write an essay reflecting on a personal experience of loss and your process through grief. Apply relevant models to explain the experience and outline possible interventions.

1. Models for Grief + Loss

   Synonyms for grief and loss... Particular types of grief or loss...

2. Personal Experiences

   One example from your life... be specific. Find synonyms for that example...

3. Interventions

   Synonyms for interventions or therapies....

   Particular models, therapies, strategies, theories or theorists....
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3. Use Booleans

AND, OR & NOT
Use brackets or Advanced Search boxes
Use the template
Watch the Find Faster Search Smarter video

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USE BOOLEAN OPERATORS

AND

OR

+ 

NOT
Boolean Operators

grief AND child AND therapy
Boolean Operators

OR

grief OR loss OR bereavement

Grief
Bereavement
Loss
Boolean Operators

\[(\text{grief OR loss}) \text{ AND } (\text{Therapy OR counselling})\]
Boolean Operators

NOT

(grief OR loss) NOT weight
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4. Wildcards, Truncation & Phrases

Wildcards (?, #)
Truncations (*)
Phrase Searching ("...")
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5. Basic & Advanced Searching

Use a Basic Search to begin

Advanced Searching will help you find more relevant results

See the Learn page for help

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6. Evaluate, Refine & Adjust

Use REVIEW to evaluate the things you find
Refine searches using built in facets
Adjust searches as you learn more about the topic
See the Evaluating Information page on the Information Skills Guide

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7. Citation Chaining

Use one article or book to help you find other relevant resources

See the Citation Chaining tutorial

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8. Save & Organise

Remember to save and organise your research with My eShelf or eBook Bookshelves

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