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FYS: ARE YOU LIVING YOUR PARENTS' DREAM? 2004

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Remember to note the full citation for each resource you plan to use for your assignments -- title, author or organization, URL if a web site, date of publication, etc. Please use your Hacker guide to help you follow an appropriate format for providing citations.

Using ELIZA, Wallace Library's Online Catalog

ELIZA is the Wallace Library's online catalog for **books, reference materials, government publications, journals, newspapers, videocassettes, music, links to online resources and indexes, etc.**

Remember the Boolean operators, **AND, OR, Not.**

Key Word and Subject Search

A **keyword** search is generally the best place to start, if you are not sure of the specific item you are trying to find. If you find an item of interest, look at the detailed record to find the **subject** headings assigned to the item.

Try the following:

Perform a keyword search using the phrase **education and Germany.**

Click the "Extended Display" button to view item locations and publication dates.

Use the "Limit this Search" button to find an item published in English.

Look at the detailed record for the item you select. Note the call number. You will need this to find the material in the library.

Try the subject links provided within the record. These will allow you to perform a concise hypertext search for similar items.

Subject searches are more specific than keyword searches. Some that might be helpful are:

Childhood
Childrearing
Children
Parenting

Using ELIZA to Locate Journals and Periodicals

http://library.wheatoncollege.edu/screens/srchhint_03.html

To find all periodicals available (in paper, microfilm or electronic format) from Wheaton, covering the topic of Education, try entering the following SUBJECT SEARCH in Eliza:

education periodicals

How many does Wheaton have?

In the full list of education periodicals, locate the record for the journals **Adolescence** and **Childhood Education**. Look at the detailed record for types of holdings, online, paper, microfilm etc..

Using Indexes to Find Journal, Magazine and Newspaper Articles

While ELIZA can be used to find a periodical title, you will need to use an electronic index to locate specific articles within journals and newspapers. Some indexes provide the full-text of articles. Others provide only citations which must be checked against library holdings.

InfoTrac

InfoTrac is a good general source for locating material in all disciplines, including **education, psychology and sociology**.

From the library homepage, select Electronic Resources.

From the Online Research Databases menu, select InfoTrac.

From the available InfoTrac databases, find Expanded Academic ASAP and click the link to "start searching."

Try a search combining the terms **parenting and research** in the search window.

Limit your search to full-text articles, refereed publications (scholarly articles) and articles published since 1999

[Demo of Interlibrary Loan Order link from Library Homepage]

From OVID

Wilson Social Science Abstracts

1. At the top of the page note icon/links.
2. Enter "childhood" and hit *search*. How many hits? _____
3. Enter "Japan" and hit *search*. How many hits? _____
4. Enter a Boolean search for "childhood and Japan" and hit *search*. How many hits? _____
5. Display results.
6. Click Complete Record for an item. Notice the abstract (summary) and subject headings that can lead you to similar articles.
6. Mark records that look valuable.
7. Scroll down to "Results Manager".
8. Select "Complete Reference" to insure that you have all needed info (for Interlibrary Loan or just for your own convenience).
(Demo of Library Holdings link)

Evaluating Web Sites

Examine each of the following web sites and then answer this set of questions for each site **[Worksheet]**.

1. *Currency* ... When was the site last maintained?
2. *Authority* ... Who authors the site? What are the person's or institution's credentials/reputation?
3. *Coverage* ... Discuss briefly the range of subjects covered and the depth of coverage. Are there links to other helpful sites?
4. *Ease of navigation* ... Is the site effectively designed and easy to move around in?
5. *Relevance to this course* ... Is there material on this site that might be useful in the research required for this course?

1. Welcome to the ERIC Clearinghouse on Elementary and Early Childhood Education (ERIC/EECE) and the National Parent Information Network (NPIN)
<http://ericps.crc.uiuc.edu>
2. Career Planning & Resources
<http://www.scrippscol.edu/~dept/career/index.html>
3. What Can Student Drawings Tell Us about High-Stakes Testing in Massachusetts?
<http://www.csteep.bc.edu/drawoned/mcas/mcaspaper.html>
4. National Mentoring Partnership
<http://www.mentoring.org>

When You Need Further Help

Reference Librarians are here to help you and WELCOME your questions!

For help with Library Research for this course: please contact Ethel Fraga at efraga@wheatonma.edu or Ext. 5652

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