Ethical/ Worldview

- **What discipline? What subject?**
  Choose an appropriate database. Or, start with Academic Search Complete then use the "Choose Databases" link in EBSCO to search other databases.

- **What topic? What profession?**
  1) Use relevant keywords to identify and search the concepts of your research paper.
  Examples:
  - o Topic(s):
    "fantasy literature"
    Narnia and literature and (valu* or purpose)
    fantasy and child* and purpose
  - o Subject or discipline:
    cloning
    chemistry (chemical engineer*)
    biology
  - o Profession:
    sports journalism
    sport and journal*

  2) Develop variant search queries.
  Examples:
    "military chaplain" and issue
    military and chaplain and issue*
    military and chaplain and Christian
    Christian and chaplain and ethic*

- **What influences? What perspective?**
  Add search terms that identify your topic.
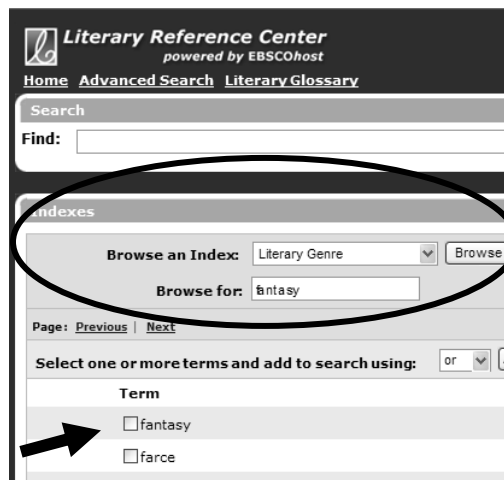 Examples:

    social* (social, society)
    cultur* (cultural, culture)
    moral
    ethic* (ethical, ethics, ethic)
    bibl* (bible biblical)
    Christian
    "Christian worldview"
    "Christian perspective"
    "religious aspect"
    religio* (religion religious)

    ideology   argument*
    belief   controvers* (-y, -ies, -ial)
    presupposition   pros con
    principle*

    influenc*
    effect   "professional ethics"
    motivation   "code of ethics"
    dilemma
    concern
    issues

Search Strategies

Browse an Index/ Select a Subject
In EBSCO databases, look in the top menu bar for a link to browse index (thesaurus, subjects, MESH, etc.)
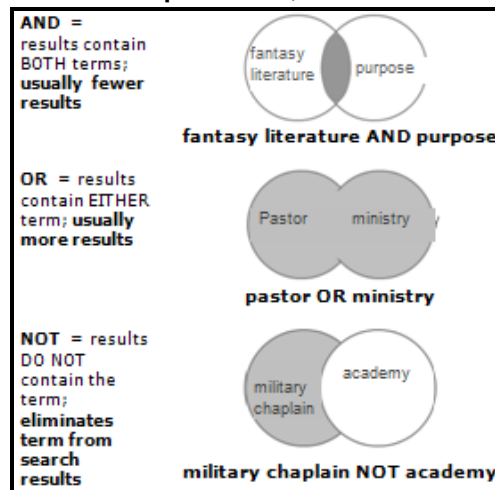

Limit Your Results

Databases offer options to limit your results, including date, scholarly/ peer-reviewed, document type (article, book review, etc.), subject and language.

Use Truncation (*)

Use the asterisk for multiple word endings.
Example: ethic* = ethics, ethical

Use Boolean operators (shaded areas = results)

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Research Tips and Tools

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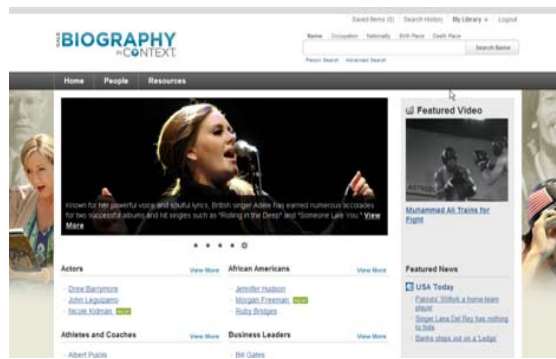
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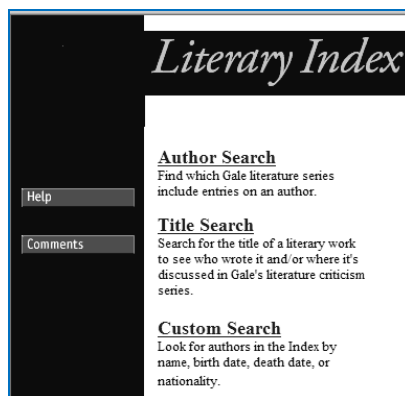

In <u>Contemporary Authors</u> see "Further Reading About the Author." **To see if the library has a book**, use the ORU Library Catalog. **To locate a journal article**, search the journal title in the A-to-Z Journals List and follow the links.

See library guides: [Finding Books], [Finding Articles]

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Example: Search **C. S. Lewis**

> *Perelandra*
> World Literature Criticism, edition(s) **4**:2081-82, 2085-87, 2092-93
> Contemporary Literary Criticism, volume(s) **1**:177; **3**:297-99; **6**:309, 311; **14**:323-26; **27**:260-61, 266; **124**:193, 213, 221, 223, 226, 228, 232, 236, 246
> Children's Literature Review, volume(s) **109**:98, 147, 149-50, 152

> *Mere Christianity*
> Contemporary Literary Criticism, volume(s) **6**:311; **14**:323; **27**:263, 265-66; **124**:196, 224-25, 229, 232, 235, 237, 244, 246
> World Literature Criticism, edition(s) **4**:2083-84, 2090
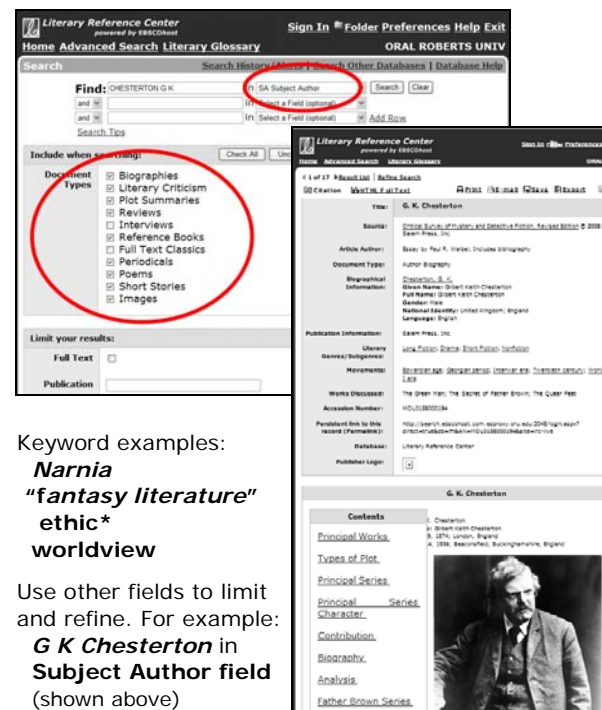> Children's Literature Review, volume(s) **109**:124, 127, 144

To find the full text entries in, for example, Contemporary Literary Criticism:

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2. Locate the books on the shelf, pull the volume identified, and then go to the pages listed.

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LITERARY REFERENCE CENTER

Full text database - provides a broad spectrum of information on thousands of authors and their works across literary disciplines and timeframes.

Keyword examples:
  Narnia
  "*fantasy literature*"
  *ethic**
  worldview

Use other fields to limit and refine. For example:
  G K Chesterton in
  Subject Author field
  (shown above)

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