# **Using the Library Catalogue**

## Do a Keyword Search

Follow these steps to find specific words in any field.

- 1. Click the Search tab, and click Keyword on the Search menu bar.
- 2. Type the search terms in the Keyword search for box.
- 3. If you want to search for your terms in a specific field, select the field in the **Search by** box. For example, if you know the title contains the word *Yankee*, you would enter **Yankee** in the **Keyword Search for** box, and select **Title** in the **Search by** box. To specify keywords in multiple fields, go to **Advanced Search** on the Search menu bar instead.
- 4. If you want to limit the search to a specific format, select the material type in the Limit by box. For example, if you want to find only DVDs, select DVD in the Limit by box.
- 5. To limit by branch, publication date, target audience, or language, click on **Open Search Options**. Select the options that you want and click **Set Search Options**.
- 6. Click Go.

## Do an Advanced Search

Follow these steps to do more complex searches.

- 1. Click the Search tab, and click Advanced Search on the Search menu bar.
- 2. Select a field to search in the **Any Field** box, or leave it on the default to search any field. For example, if you know the title contains the word *Garden*, you would select **Title** and enter the word **Garden** in the box.
- 3. You can limit your search on the next line by using the connector words and, not, or or.
- 4. Repeat Steps 2 and 3 for any other keywords on the next lines.
- 5. If you want to limit the search to a specific format, select the material type in the Limit by box. For example, if you want to find only DVDs, select DVD in the Limit by box.
- 6. To limit by branch, publication date, target audience, or language, click on **Open Search Options**. Select the options that you want and click **Set Search Options**.
- 7. Click Go.

#### Do a Browse Search

Follow these steps to browse the title, author, subject, or series index.

- 1. Select the **Search** tab, and select **Browse** on the search menu bar.
- 2. Select Title, Author, Subject, or Series from the Search for list.
- 3. Type the first few letters of the title, the author's last name, the subject, or the series name in the **that begins with** box.
- 4. Click Go.

The search results list shows the headings and the number of titles associated with each heading.

- Click << Previous 10 Headings or Next 10 Headings>> to see previous or subsequent sections of the index.
- 6. Click a heading to see a list of associated titles.



## Work with Search Results

From your search results list, you can do the following:

- Click Availability to see where the item is.
- Click Place Hold to request the item.
- Click Add to My List on the right-hand side to save the title to a list that you can print or send by e-mail.
- Click a page number or the arrow at the top or bottom of the page to move through your results list.

### Place a Hold

Follow these steps to request an item listed in your search results.

- 1. Search for the item you want to request.
- 2. Click **Place Hold**, and log in if necessary.
- 3. On the request form, select the name of the library where you want to pick up the item in the **Pickup Library** box.
- 4. If you want to activate your request at a future time, type the date in the **Activation Date** box. The request will be activated immediately if you do not change the activation date.
- 5. If you want to add a note to your request, type it in the **Note** box.
- 6. Click Submit Request.
- 7. Verify your contact information.
- 8. Click Return to Search Results to go back to your results list, or click Log Out if you are finished.

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