

# Locating Materials from a Bibliography

Utilizing a useful article's bibliography or references list can be a very efficient way to locate more materials on your research topic.

## To Start

Determine if the item is an article, book or book article. Depending on the type of materials you will use different strategies to locate the material  
The examples below will help you determine what you are looking for.

### Journal Article

Smith, S., Boone, R., & Higgins, K. (1998). Expanding the writing process on the web. *Teaching Exceptional Children*, 30(5), 22-27.

- To find your article you will first need to determine if Polk Library has access to the journal in which your article was published in either an online or print format.
- The Journal name is usually in Italics followed by a volume and page number
- Use the "Know the name of a specific journal and want to know if we get it?" search located on the Polk Library home page.
- If journal is not available online or print request the article from Interlibrary Loan

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Title begins with

Journal available online. Click the link to the journal. Most programs will allow you to go to the year and then the issue in which your article was published

Library has the Journal in print. If the article is not available online, it can be request from the library's distance education services.

**Lancet (North American edition)** (0099-5355)

in [Polk Library Collection: click to check print holdings](#)

from 01/05/1991 to 12/24/2006 in [Academic Search Premier](#) and [Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition](#)

from 1994 to 1996 in [Periodical Abstracts](#)

from 01/01/1995 to 01/25/2003 in [LexisNexis Academic](#)

## Books and Book Chapters

- Book and book chapter citations will include a city and publisher at the end of the citation.
- When locating book chapters search for the book it appeared in.
- Use the BadgerCat program to determine where the item is available.
- If the book is available from an UW library, Universal Borrowing can be used to have the item sent in an UW library in your area. (See page 8)
- Books not available through the UW System can be request using Interlibrary Loan. (See page 8)

### Book Citation

Freed, M. (1989). *The Educators Desk Reference: A Sourcebook Educational Information and Research*. New York: Macmillan Pub. Co.

### Book Chapter Citation

Block, J. S., Weinstein, J., & Steiz, M. (2005). School and parent partnerships in the preschool years. In D. Zeiger (Ed.), *Autism spectrum disorders: Identification, education, and treatment* (3rd ed.). Mahwah,, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates Publishers.