

EDUCATION -- SEARCH TIPS BY DATABASE			
Database	Contents	Limit to Research Studies	Other Helpful Limiters
Education Research Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1990- ▪ Education-related journal articles (indexes 1500; 750 are fulltext) ▪ Some books and conference papers 	No specific limit for research studies. <u>Recommended:</u> Check box to limit to “Peer-reviewed” journals Add “this study” to your search terms	
ERIC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1966- ▪ Education-related journal articles ▪ ERIC documents (reports, curriculum, teaching guides/activities, etc.) NOTE: Full text is available for many ERIC documents	Add “this study” to your search terms <u>Alternative:</u> Under “Limit your results” PUBLICATION TYPE: “Reports - Research” <u>NOTE:</u> If limiting in this way, make sure that it refers to one study in the abstract.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Educational levels:</u> Scroll down to select, E.g., elementary education; primary education OR add “elementary” [etc.] to search ▪ <u>Instructional materials (practical teaching ideas)</u> Under PUBLICATION TYPES: Guides – Classroom - Learner Guides – Classroom – Teacher <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Limit to literature reviews:</u> add “literature reviews” to search
PsycINFO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1887- ▪ journal articles ▪ technical reports ▪ books that are parts of series ▪ dissertations 	Under “Limit your results” METHODOLOGY: “Empirical study” CAUTION: There are several other kinds of research study types in PsycINFO. To be more comprehensive, add “this study” to your search terms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Recommended:</u> Limit to English ▪ PUBLICATION TYPE: Limit to “all journals” or “peer-reviewed journals” <i>if you wish to limit to journal articles.</i> ▪ For literature reviews, change METHODOLOGY to “Literature Review”
Library & Info. Science & Tech. Abs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1960s- ▪ Articles ▪ Books & more 	Add “this study” to your search terms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit “document type” to “article”

NOTE: If your focus is *literature*-based, try these databases: **MLA** or **Humanities International Complete**

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