

Library Catalog -- Locating Education Materials

In addition to the library catalog, try out the Library Home Page
<www.messiah.edu/murraylibrary> Click on: Databases > Education for a wealth of resources.

I. CHILDREN'S BOOKS (JUVENILE FICTION AND NONFICTION)

Limit search to Juvenile collection by selecting "Juvenile" from the **Limit to** menu.

TIPS:

Children's books **on particular topics** (fiction or nonfiction)

Keyword search: e.g. **rain forest? amazon** ("?" searches forest or forests)

Children's books, **nonfiction only:**

Search: e.g. **electricity "juvenile literature"**

(All juvenile nonfiction books have "juvenile literature" in their subject headings.)

II. TEACHING RESOURCE BOOKS (CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES, LESSON PLANS, ETC.)

Limit search by selecting "Teaching Resources" from the **Limit to** menu.

Proceed with **Keyword** search.

Examples:

Social studies activity books

Keyword searches:

"social sciences" "middle school"

"social sciences" secondary

"social sciences" elementary

"civil war" elementary

Children's literature activities

Keyword searches:

"children's literature"

"children's literature" "language arts"

literature elementary

"literature based"

"young adult literature"

"language experience approach"

III. TEXTBOOKS

Limit search to Textbooks:

Keyword search, adding "text" to search. E.g. **"language arts" text**

STANDARD TOPICS: "language arts", music, "social sciences" [note: not social studies], English, mathematics, science, health, "physical education", etc.

IV. MEDIA (NOT VIDEOS OR DVDS)

Limit search to all Media such as kits, games, etc. except Videos & DVDs (see V)

Keyword - Boolean search by topic, adding **AND media NOT (video? or DVD)**

Example: science AND media NOT (video? or DVD)

V. VIDEOS OR DVDS

Limit search to Videos/DVDs by selecting *Video/DVD* from the **Quick Limit** menu.

Keyword search (use when searching by topic).

Add “**children’s films**” to further limit.