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Crumb Library

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Finding Books

- BearCat
 - College Libraries Juvenile Collection (Crumb and Crane)
 - “The College Libraries’ collection of children’s and young adult literature serves to make a sampling of juvenile literature available for study, for evaluation, and for use with children from preschool through secondary school, and also supports the study of juvenile works as literature.” – *College Libraries’ Collection Development Policy*
 - Sheard Literacy Center (Satterlee Hall)
 - “The Literacy Center’s mission is to provide literacy education to the greater Northern New York communities, **resources** and educational support for teachers and parents on issues of literacy education across the curriculum, and state-of-the-art classrooms for the School of Education faculty who teach literacy courses and other courses that integrate literacy into the curriculum.” – *Sheard Literacy Center Mission Statement*
 - Focus your search on juvenile materials
 - Change Collection to JUVENILE – Crumb and Sheard results
 - Advanced Search – Set location for SHEARD LITERACY CENTER

BearCat includes the resources of all of the LIBRARIES for SUNY Potsdam

Crumb has a distinct Juvenile collection from preschool to Young Adult

Crane’s collection is very small

Sheard Literacy Center is new and growing

Can search all or focus on just the Sheard Collection

To see all possible COPIES and LOCATIONS for material look at the full record and circulation status in BearCat

World Cat – SUNY Potsdam and Beyond...

- WorldCat
 - Comprehensive catalog of materials held by participating libraries worldwide with a North American focus
 - InterLibrary Loan – ILLiad
 - Establish a ILL borrowing account before searching for books beyond Potsdam
 - Searching limiters that direct your search
 - Subtype Limits – “Juvenile” and “Fiction/Non-Fiction”

WorldCat is an excellent resource

Search strategy for BearCat and WorldCat are the same

WorldCat indicates when an item is held locally and allows you to “pop out” to check BearCat

When not held locally the ILL option is available (do not use Article Linker)

Other Local Libraries

- Public Libraries in St. Lawrence, Lewis, Jefferson Counties and Oswego are part of the North Country Library System (NCLS)
 - Cooperative Catalog
 - Search individual libraries or specific (Potsdam)
- Clinton Essex Franklin Library System (CEFLS)
- Google to find any specific library system or catalog

Your local public library can be an excellent resource

Identifying books to use

- College Libraries' catalog BEARCAT includes Subject Headings on juvenile books – fiction and non-fiction
- Most WorldCat records also include subject headings
- Many small public library catalogs do NOT include subject headings

Use the subject analysis provided by catalogs to focus on what you need

Resources for identifying books

- Crumb Library **Reference** Collection
 - Library of Congress Classification (LC)
PN1009.A1
- Library of Congress Subject Heading (LCSH)
 - Search BearCat [Group] – Books and Reading
 - Children – Books and reading
 - Young adults – Books and reading

Reference collections include bibliographies of children's reading material that can be an excellent place to start searching

Finding Articles

- Think about what you need to find – Field? Topic? Research? Reviews? – and choose an appropriate tool from the Libraries' website
 - “Start by Subject”
- ERIC – index to journals and documents
 - “via EBSCO” – online collection; Article Finder; My Ebscohost
 - Use “Controlled Vocabulary”, Boolean searching including “nesting”, limit your results – journal articles; date range
 - Hint: if you search “international reading association” as a key word search, your results will primarily be in their publications
- Professional Development Collection – search separately OR add in to your ERIC via Ebsco search
 - Hint: Book List is indexed in the Professional Development Collection but not in ERIC

ERIC - history

Role of vendor

Demo My Ebscohost

Controlled Vocabulary



Thesaurus of terms with relationships:

Broader Term (BT)

Related Term (RT)

Narrower Term (NT)

See / Use For (UF)


Consistency of Subject terms (controlled) gives control to the searcher

Getting to the article

- ERIC via Ebsco includes direct full-text links (pdf and html) to articles in their Professional Development (full-text) Collection
- Article Linker – checks a master database of our print and electronic holdings
 - Offers a link to Interlibrary Loan (ILLiad) when not available
- My Ebscohost – allows you to create an account with access to folders of research

APA format

- The Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association includes the format for citations
- In Crumb Reference and Reserve collections at REF BF 76.7 .P83 2001
 - APA Style Guide to Electronic Sources
- On line hints – Google for help pages
- Ebsco citation list
- The Writing Center!
- Latest version of APA?



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- Mark read or “to read”
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