

Title: How am I supposed to know which database to search?

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Slide 1	Slide notes: I have a research project due and I am not sure which database I need to use to find the articles. I need help! I feel like I am lost in a maze.
Slide 2	Slide notes: At the Collins Library, we have arranged our website to be user friendly for people doing research. To use a database, begin by clicking on the Start with databases link. Please click on the link to continue.
Slide 3	Slide notes: Now you are on the database page. There are two ways to find databases. If you know the name of the database, use the alphabetical listing by clicking on the first letter of the name of the database. Then look for the database in the alphabetic list to go to that database. Most people do not have a specific database in mind when they start their research so we have arranged databases by subject area. One subject area that is usually a good choice is our multidisciplinary databases. These large databases cover multiple subjects. Let's take a look at these databases by click on the multidisciplinary link now.
Slide 4	Slide notes: On this page, we see the names and brief descriptions of the multidisciplinary databases. If you find a database that sounds interesting, you can click on its name to go to the database and start searching.
Slide 5	Slide notes: If you want to do research in a subject specific database, you follow the same steps we took when looking at the multidisciplinary databases. Let's say you are writing a paper in you philosophy class. To see the philosophy databases, click on the philosophy link. click on the link now to continue.
Slide 6	Slide notes: Here you find that the Collins Library has two philosophy databases. All you have to do now is click on the title of the database you want to search and start looking for articles.
Slide 7	Slide notes: Do you still need help? We have the answer. Contact your professor or a librarian. Librarians are available in the library during the hours the library is open. We can be reached either in person, by phone, email or instant chat. Use the Ask a Librarian page to reach us by email or instant chat.