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*General OneFile* provides millions of articles from thousands of magazines, journals, newspapers, and other authoritative sources. With intuitive search features, and extensive coverage across wide-ranging topics, you’ll find accurate information and articles to support your interests. Discover full-text results to fuel exploration and gain understanding with *General OneFile*’s vast selection of periodicals.
SEARCHING CONTENT

Basic Search
Searches across the entire resource and delivers results sorted by relevance
Basic Search is useful when you want to run a search for a narrow or precise topic, typically with multiple terms. Consider Browse by Discipline and Subject Guide Search when you have a broad topic to research.

Browse by Discipline
Allows you to browse by subject area and retrieve articles from selected journals supporting your discipline
This is a great way to start your research if you are unsure of which search terms to use, are unfamiliar with your subject area, or find other search paths overwhelming.

Advanced Search
Provides extensive options to customize your search and target relevant results
You can use Advanced Search to run complex searches for specific results, or to perform open searches for a broad view of available content. Some of the most popular features include:

- **Keyword**: Select this field to search “hot spots” of articles, including citations, subject headings, abstracts, and the beginning of each article. This is a good general option to start your search.
- **Subject**: Choose this field to increase specificity by using document tags to find results fully focused on your topic. Try subject if your basic search produces too many results.
- **Publication Title**: Use this field to search for articles or documents from a particular publication like Newsweek.
- **Entire Document**: Pick this field to search within the entire text of documents. This option performs a broad search for any mention of your terms, and can be used to find articles that use very precise phrases or touch on specific concepts.
- **Search Operators**: Use these drop-downs to connect your search terms. **AND** ensures your results mention both terms. **OR** broadens your search to results mentioning either term. **NOT** excludes a term or phrase that you do not want to appear in results.
- **Limiting Options**: Narrow your results with options like peer-reviewed publications, full text documents, document type, and more. Many of these options are also available in the filter bar after you execute a search.

Subject Guide Search
Takes a guided approach to finding your topic
The subject guide search offers the ability to narrow a single topic by subdivisions, and to view narrower and broader related topics.
If you have a broad topic in mind, this search can help you identify targeted tags to find documents fully focused on the topic. You can also use this search to specify the appropriate context for words with varied meanings or to discern between people with the same name.

Publication Search
Verifies the availability of a publication within General OneFile
Use Publication Search to enter the title of a publication of interest. Click on any matching results to view coverage details, and link to articles from individual issues. You can also use “Create Journal Alert” to subscribe to automatic emails or receive RSS notification when a new issue is added to General OneFile.
Topic Finder
Generates a visual representation of your search results by topic and subtopic
Topic Finder organizes results based on the frequency of occurring terms, allowing you to hone in on targeted keywords, envision connections between topics, and create new research paths. Use Topic Finder if you’re having trouble coming up with a research topic, when you have an idea for a topic and want to investigate related topics, or when you want to narrow your search results.

As you click around in the Topic Finder tiles, results on the right update dynamically, allowing for one-click access into relevant content. Simply click on an article to view it.

WORKING WITH RESULTS

Search Results
Organized by content type, with sorting and limiting options
• **Content Type:** Depending on your search, you may click to view Magazines, Academic Journals, Books, News, Images, Videos, and Audio.
• **Sort By:** Use this drop-down to view articles with the highest relevance based on factors like the frequency and location of references to your search terms, or to view the newest or oldest articles.
• **Search Within:** Enter additional terms to quickly focus on results that mention those terms.
• **Limiting Options:** In one click, limit your search to full-text results, or filter by publication date, subject, and more. Use these options to narrow your search when you have a large number of results.
• **Topic Finder:** Click to visually analyze your current results, hone your topic, and discover more search terms related to your topic.
• **Create Search Alert:** Set up an RSS feed or email notification when new articles matching your search are added to the resource, so that you can stay informed on your topic with minimal effort.
WORKING WITH DOCUMENTS

Tools

Manage content with document tools and features

- **Click Citation Tools** to generate a citation using MLA, APA or Chicago style. Export the citation into a variety of tools, or simply copy and paste it into your bibliography.
- **Use Highlights and Notes** to annotate important text. Click and drag to select the text, choose your highlighter color, and add notes to the selection. Print, email, download, or send the result to Google or Microsoft to retain your highlights and notes with the result. You can also click the **More** button in the database banner, and select Highlights and Notes to access a summary. **Once you leave the database, any content that you have saved is erased to protect your privacy.**
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- **View Related Resources**—a handful of selected articles on similar topics—at the bottom of your article.
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