

## Search Tips

The search function can be used to query the TitlePage database which contains over 950,000 titles. TitlePage uses the ONIX standard to store and display its title information (for more information on ONIX visit the [APA website](#)).

A search returns titles in order of relevance with the most exact match listed first, e.g. if you type in 'Pet' in the title field the search results will return titles that include the words 'Pet', 'Petals', 'Petting', then 'Pets', etc. You can use a combination of search terms to further refine your search, e.g. search for books by a particular author published in a particular year.

The search engine is optimised for searches on common English words, and can return words with the same root. For example, a search for 'manage' will also return titles that contain 'managing' and 'managed.'

**Title:** Use this field if you know either the full title or some of the words in the title, e.g. typing in 'Lord of the Rings' will return all titles containing 'Lord' AND 'Rings.' 'Lord' would return all titles containing 'Lord.'

**Author:** Search for all the titles by a particular author, editor, illustrator or other contributor. You can search on the full name or just the surname of the contributor, e.g. 'Smith' would return all titles with 'Smith' as Firstname or Lastname. 'John Smith' would return all titles with both 'John' AND 'Smith.'

**ISBN-10:** ISBN-10s are composed of 10 digits, e.g. 0333668529 or 0-333-66852-9. Use this field to locate a title by typing in the 10 digit number. You can search for several ISBN-10s at once by placing a space between each ISBN-10.

**ISBN-13:** ISBN-13 is composed of 13 digits, e.g. 9780333668529. Use this field to locate a title by typing in the 13 digit number. You can search for several ISBN-13s at once by placing a space between each ISBN-13.

**Subject:** Use this field to search for all titles found under one or more subject areas. TitlePage uses the BIC subject standard to classify its titles (for more information on BIC visit the [APA website](#)). You can either type free text or select the relevant BIC subject code description, e.g. searching for 'Computer' returns titles with BIC codes of Computer Programming (UP), Computer Certification (UC) and Computer Communications (UT).

**Imprint:** Search on the title imprint which is found on the spine of a book. You can either type free text or select the relevant imprint from those stored in our database.

**Publisher:** Find all titles for sale within Australia from a particular publisher, e.g. 'Wiley' would return all titles with Wiley UK, Wiley US and John Wiley & Sons as publisher. 'HarperCollins' or 'Harper' or 'Collins' will return all HarperCollins Publishers titles. You can also access the contact details for a publisher directly from the Title Detail Page.

**Distributor:** Search for all titles for sale within Australia handled by a particular distributor, e.g. 'Macmillan Distribution' would return all titles with 'Macmillan' AND 'Distribution.' You can also access the contact details for a distributor directly from the Title Detail Page.

**Pub Date:** Select the day, month and/or year you wish to search on. You can also search on a pub date range. If you do not specify a year then all publication years will be included in your search.

**Series:** Locate all the books published within a series by using this field, e.g. 'Palgrave Study Guides' would return titles that include 'Palgrave' AND 'Study' AND 'Guides.' 'Study Guides' would return just 'Study' AND 'Guides.'

**Availability:** Having entered another search term you can also narrow your search to find only those titles in stock.