

## Quicksearch

[Quicksearch](#) [1] unites several search services under one discovery interface.

The services initially targeted for this discovery interface include:

- the main Library catalog ([Orbis](#) [2]), where you will find books and other material held in the Yale University Library. This section is called Books+.
- the Law Library catalog ([Morris](#)) [3], where you will find books and other material held in the Yale Lillian Goldman Law Library (also in Books+).
- licensed e-resources, where you will find journal articles, newspaper articles, dissertations and other material ([in Articles+](#)) [4].
- digitized images, archival documents, and other materials in the Yale University Library's primary Digital Collections repository.

[Please send all your questions, comments, and other feedback](#) [5]. [6] on any aspect of the Quicksearch.

## Basics of Searching in Quicksearch

Use Quicksearch to search across Orbis and Morris (Books+), Articles+, and Digital Collections. You will probably get a very large set of results, only the first 20 of which will be displayed (10 from Books+ and 10 from Articles+ and Digital Collections). If a group of results looks interesting, click on "**View and limit all XXX results**" link, and you will see details of the set.

To browse only the results from Orbis and Morris, for example, with no Articles+ or Digital Collections results, click on the indicator to "**View and limit all XXX results.**" Once you have selected a set, facets and other functionality will be available for you to further refine your search.

You can do the same thing to explore only relevant results in Articles+ or Digital Collections.

Tip 1. Quicksearch routinely provides "stemming" for common endings to words, that is, common present and past tenses for verbs are added or removed so that a search on the word 'work', for example, will retrieve records that contain the words 'work', 'works', 'working', and 'worked' but not 'worker' or 'workers' (although a search of 'worker' retrieves records with the words 'worker' and 'workers'). Stemming is not performed for proper nouns.

Tip 2. The results of your search may or may not contain all of the search terms that you used if you use more than 1 or 2 words (or quoted phrases).

- If there are 1-2 words or quoted phrases, all are required.
- If there are 3-5 words or quoted phrases, all but one is required.
- If there are 6 words or quoted phrases, all but two are required.

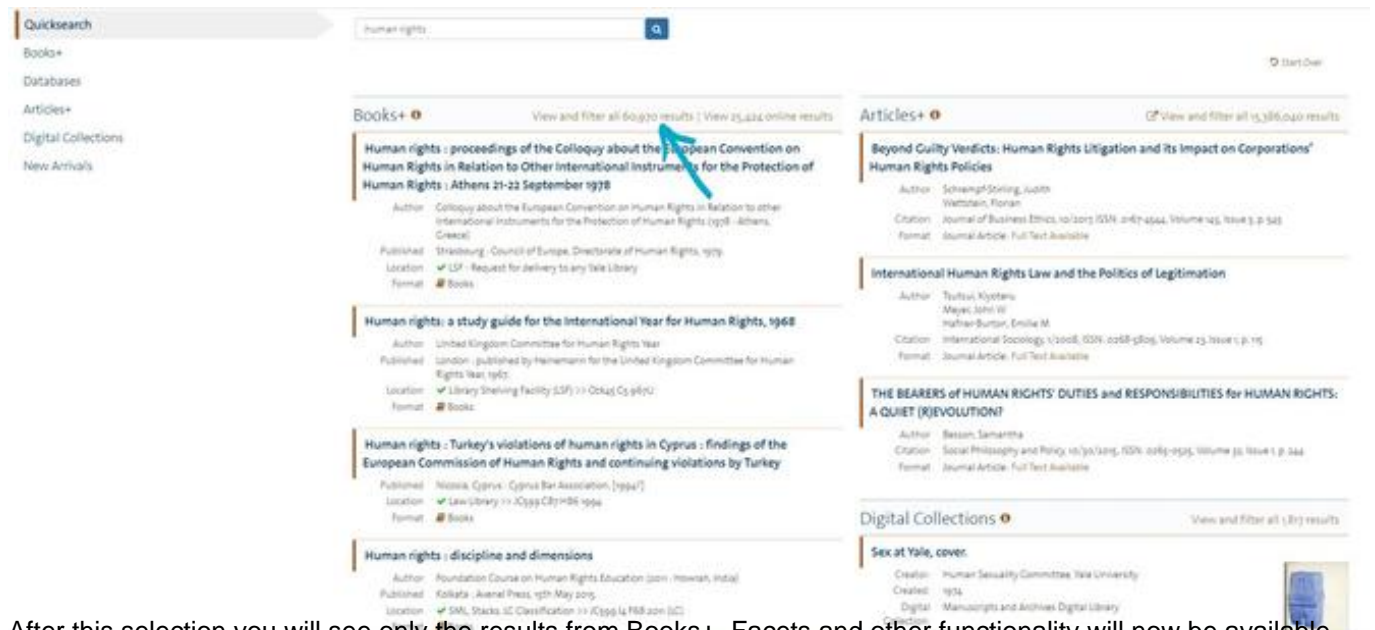
You can control these results by using the following special search syntax:

- Use a '+' immediately preceding the term (or quoted phrase) to instruct the system to return **only** records that include the term(s).
- Use a '-' immediately preceding the term (or quoted phrase) to instruct the system to **exclude all** records that include the term(s).
- Use quotation marks around a phrase to search only that exact phrase as typed. For example, "united nations" +law will return many fewer and more relevant results about the United Nations and law than will a search without quotation marks and the '+' sign.

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- Stop words (the, a, and, or, etc.) are removed from a search unless they are included in a phrase in quotation marks.



The screenshot shows the Quicksearch interface with a search box containing 'human rights'. The search results are divided into two main sections: 'Books+' and 'Articles+'. The 'Books+' section is highlighted with a blue arrow, indicating that only results from this section are displayed. The 'Articles+' section is also visible but not selected. The 'Books+' section shows several results, including 'Human rights : proceedings of the Colloquy about the European Convention on Human Rights in Relation to Other International Instruments for the Protection of Human Rights : Athens 21-22 September 1978', 'Human rights : a study guide for the International Year for Human Rights, 1968', and 'Human rights : Turkey's violations of human rights in Cyprus : findings of the European Commission of Human Rights and continuing violations by Turkey'. The 'Articles+' section shows results like 'Beyond Guilty Verdicts: Human Rights Litigation and its Impact on Corporations' and 'International Human Rights Law and the Politics of Legitimation'. The 'Digital Collections' section is also visible at the bottom.

After this selection you will see only the results from Books+. Facets and other functionality will now be available

You can do the same thing for Articles+.

## Advanced Quicksearch Search Help

### Advanced Search

You will find the Advanced Search link to the right of the search box when you are in [Books+](#) [7]. Sample screen illustrates the location of the Advanced Search link.

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The screenshot shows the Quicksearch interface with a search box containing 'Search Orbis/Morris'. To the right of the search box is a dropdown menu labeled 'All Fields' and a search button. The 'Advanced Search' link is circled in red, indicating its location relative to the search box.

This powerful search engine brings a new level of sophistication to searching Books+, and has features that are not available in Orbis or Morris.

In Advanced Search, you can

- search up to 5 rows of terms or phrases
- choose from 14 fields (author, title, subject, etc.) or All Fields (keyword) per row
- connect rows with Boolean operators AND, OR, and NOT

You may also limit on the opening search screen by

- format
- library location
- language (start typing the name of the language to narrow the list)
- publication date or date range

After searching, click on **Modify Search** to edit your search.

### Searching for Multiple Terms

- If there are 1-2 clauses, all are required
- If there are 3-5 clauses, all but one are required
- If there are 6 clauses, all but two are required
- If there are more than 6 clauses, 90% is required

When a search uses three or more clauses, therefore, some of the results will contain most but not all of the clauses entered.

### Boolean Searching

1. General Order of Precedence: Not/And/Or
2. Exception - If two rows are joined by an 'OR' operator, and they are searching on the same field (for example - Title:data or Title:numeric), then they are converted to a Solr min-match, essentially grouping them in parens.

So the assumption is that a search for:

"Title:data or Title:numeric and Title: Python" means  
(Title: data or Title: numeric) and Title: Python

"All Fields: modern AND Title: poesia AND Subject: portugal OR All Fields: brazil" means  
(Allfields: modern OR All fields: brazil) AND Title: poesia and Subject: Portugal

## Browsing the Collection

It is easy to see a list of every item in the Yale Library collection.

In [Books+](#) [8] simply click on the search button, with no search terms. There are millions of items, so you'll probably want to limit to some smaller set. Use the facets on the left to select sets of books you are interested in. For example,

- Select a language facet to see all the English books, Chinese books, etc. or
- Select a location facet to see books in a particular library, for example Sterling Memorial Library or
- Select a subject or call number facet to see all the books in a topic.
- Combine these facets to narrow results to a smaller set.

## Creating and Accessing Lists of Records

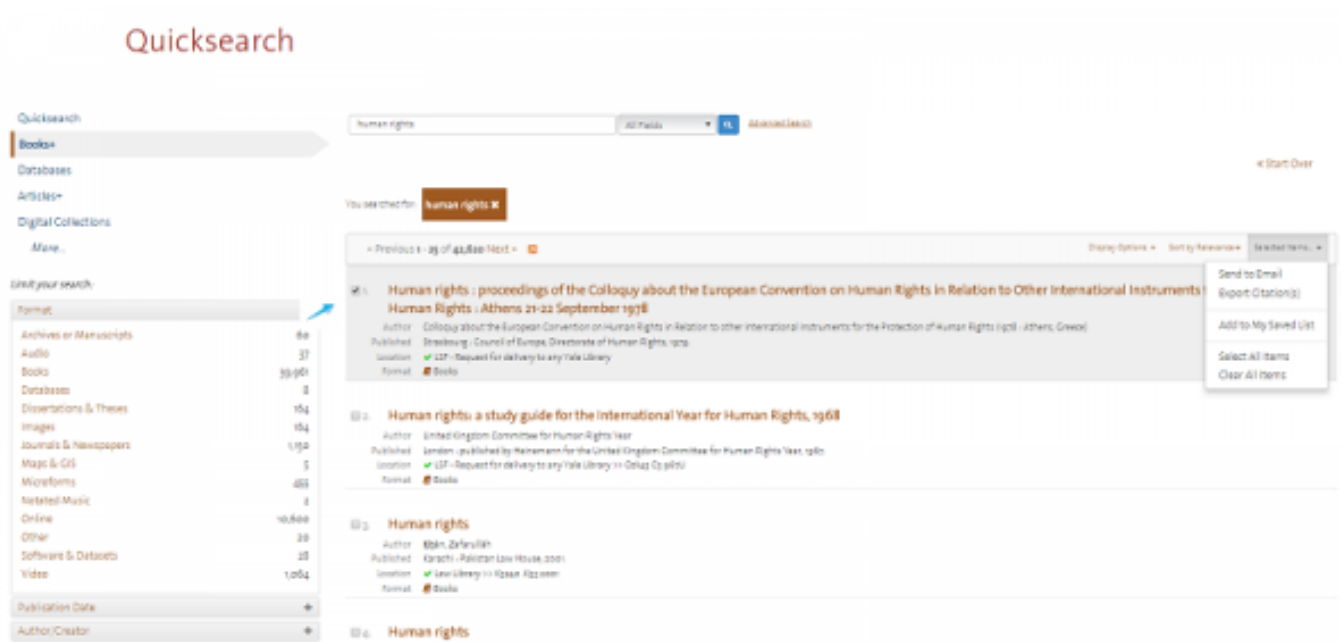
### Saving Records

In [Books+](#) and [Articles+](#) you can create and save lists of records for use later.

**Tip: Login first before trying to save records.**

To create and save lists of records you will

- Login
- Go to [Books+](#) or [Articles+](#)
- Check the box next to records you wish to save.
- Once you have selected records, save them to the Bookbag for use later. The Save to Bookbag and other options for exporting to Endnote or email, are listed under Selected items pulldown menu.



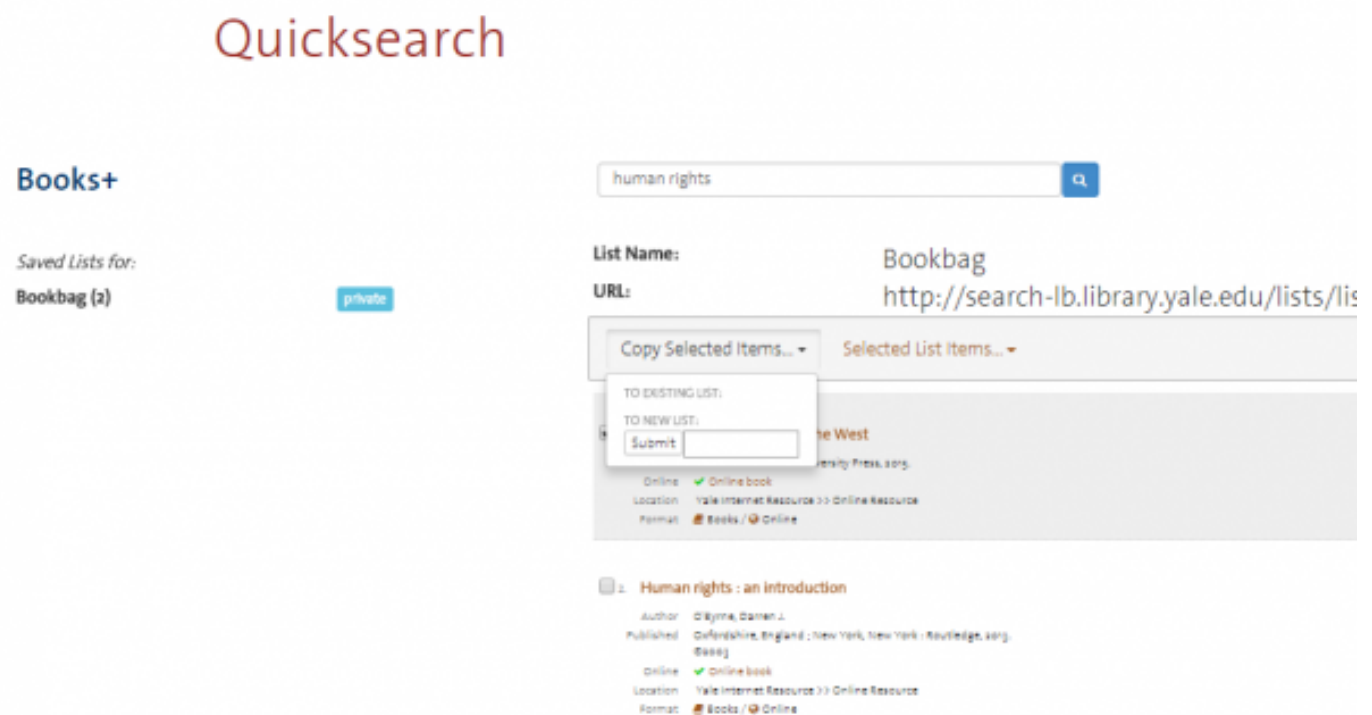
**Tip:** You can create lists of books and articles by creating a list and putting material from Books+ and Articles+ in it.

### Accessing the Bookbag and Other Lists

The bookbag and other lists are available under Saved Lists in the top level menu in the blue bar at the top of the screen. You must login first to access saved lists.

Once you've gone to the Saved Lists, you'll see your Bookbag and other lists you may have created.

To make a new list from Bookbag items. Select items again using the check boxes.



Save them to a new list by using the Copy Selected Items pulldown menu.

Give the list a new name and click on Submit.

## Using Facets

### Facets

Quicksearch provides facets as a way to get to specific material. Understanding facets and how they work will help you get the most functionality out of Quicksearch. Facets are categories of results and are listed under Refine on the left side of results. Individual facet values are the metadata in records.

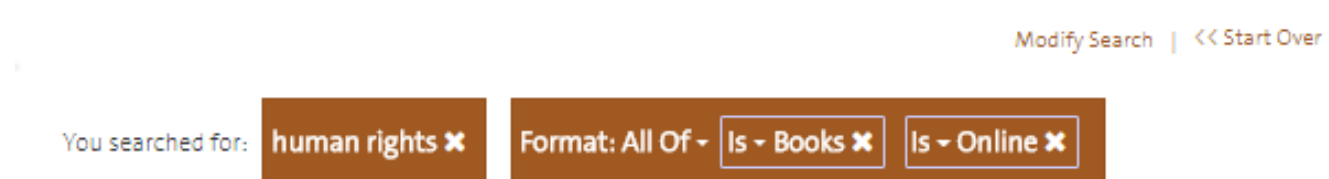
### Books+ Facet Categories

- Format (books, journals, microforms, etc.)
- Publication Date
- Author
- Acquisition Date: date the Yale Library purchased material.
- Location: Physical location of the item within the Yale Library system, or Online for digital material.
- Language
- Subject: metadata for the topic covered by the material.
- Subject (Region): metadata for the area of the world covered in the material.
- Subject (Era): metadata for the time period covered in the material.
- Subject (Genre): category of artistic form or content. Examples are biographies, handbooks, fiction, etc.
- Call Number: the code representing the physical location of the item. Only Library of Congress call numbers are included.

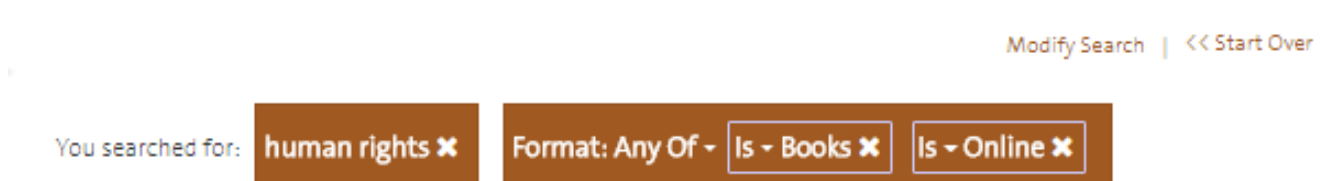
Hint: When you expand a facet (click on the +) only the top 5 most common results will display. To see all facet values select See more at the bottom of the list.

### Combine Facets

You may choose one or multiple facets by clicking on a value. When you select multiple values within a category, the search is very restrictive (an AND). After selecting more than one facet value within format, for example, you will see that those values are listed at the top of the search with the term All Of displayed before them. The image below shows a search for Human Rights limited to both of the facet values Books and Online.



That search shows 7802 results. You can make the set bigger with all the books plus all the online material by changing All Of to Any Of, which produces 37,707 results.



## Find Data Sets

Yale University Library has over 10,000 data sets ranging from statistical data to linguistics corpora, to GIS data, to image data sets. You can easily find data sets by selecting "[Data sets](#) [9]" from the format facet:

| Format                      |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Archives or Manuscripts     | 42,258     |
| Audio                       | 166,214    |
| Books                       | 10,419,139 |
| Data Sets                   | 10,962     |
| Databases                   | 1,067      |
| Dissertations & Theses      | 224,177    |
| Images                      | 30,583     |
| Journals & Newspapers       | 544,919    |
| Maps & GIS                  | 78,591     |
| Microforms                  | 573,904    |
| Notated Music               | 153,659    |
| Online                      | 2,704,753  |
| Other                       | 12,609     |
| Software & Electronic Media | 6,555      |
| Video                       | 223,260    |

In addition to "Data sets" selected from the format facet, to find a specific kind of data set, you can add an additional Form/Genre from the Subject (Genre) facet such as:

- [Statistics](#) [10] (for numeric data sets)
- [Text corpora](#) [11] (for text data sets)
- [Image](#) [12] (for image data sets)
- [Geospatial data](#) [13] (for geospatial data sets)

| Subject (Genre)            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Data sets                  | 10,908 |
| Text corpora               | 285    |
| Databases                  | 200    |
| Sources                    | 157    |
| Statistics                 | 146    |
| Census data                | 111    |
| Records and correspondence | 65     |

Although most of our data sets are freely available to the Yale University community, some data sets are restricted by license or usage agreements, which requires consulting with library staff. In such a case, you see this link text in a bibliographic record.

**Available from:**

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Online

✓ For data access contact [researchdata@yale.edu](mailto:researchdata@yale.edu)

More info at Google books

Clicking on it will automatically open a new email for you and prefill the email address to our data librarians and subject.

## Find Databases

The Find Databases list, a list of database titles, is now part of Quicksearch, with the heading Databases: <http://search.library.yale.edu/databases> [14]



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Books+

**Databases**

Articles+

Digital Collections

New Arrivals

Search Databases

All Fields



Browse by title: 0-9 A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

## Databases

Use the database list to find:

- Journal and e-book collections
- Primary sources such as archives and personal papers
- Government documents and statistics
- Image, sound and video collections
- Abstracts and indexing services

If you are looking for a specific journal, try the [eJournal](#) page or [Books+](#)If you are looking for specific articles, try [Articles+](#)

The catalog records that make up this list are a subset of Books+, so all of the resources that appear here are also discoverable through more general searches in Books+.

From the Database List, you can search multiple ways:

- Browse for a known title by clicking on a letter of the alphabet
- Search for a keyword, title, or subject using the search box

The hundreds of databases the library subscribes to include collections of e-journals and e-books, primary sources, image, sound and video collections, and abstract and indexing services.

Robust cataloging makes it possible to search on both current and former titles. Within a list of search results, you may limit to a language, subject, or LC Classification letter.

Not finding what you need within the Database list? You can easily toggle over to Books+ and run a search across the full catalog.

## How to search for Chinese, Japanese, and Korean materials

Quicksearch allows you to search for Chinese, Japanese, and Korean (CJK) materials by the original scripts and romanized forms. The Yale University Library follows [the ALA-LC Romanization Tables](#) [15] to romanize CJK scripts. For more information about searching by romanized form, go to <https://guides.library.yale.edu/cjk-romanization/> [16]

Searching in CJK scripts is as easy as searching in other scripts. You can also search in a combination of CJK scripts and English. Follow [the Quicksearch Search Tips](#) [17] and search away.

To maximize the discovery of Japanese materials, Hiragana characters and Katakana characters are normalized and inter-searchable in Book+. The same number of results will return no matter which character is used.

Search for “Japan” in Hiragana: 250 results

The screenshot shows the Quicksearch interface with the following elements:

- Search Bar:** Contains the text "にっぽん". To the right is a dropdown menu set to "All Fields" and a search button with a magnifying glass icon. A link for "Advanced Search" is also visible.
- Navigation:** A breadcrumb trail shows "You searched for: にっぽん ×". Below it, pagination controls show "« Previous 1 - 25 of 250 Next »" with the number "250" highlighted in a red box. To the right are "Display Options" and "Sort by Relevance" dropdowns.
- Limit your search:** A sidebar on the left lists various filters: Format, Publication Date, Author/Creator, Recently Added, Location, Language, Subject, Subject (Region), and Subject (Era). Each filter has a plus sign to expand it.
- Results:**
  - 1. Nippon hōrōki**
    - Title: ニッポン放浪記
    - Published: Tōkyō : Iwanami Shoten, 2017.
    - Location: ✓ SML Stacks, LC Classification >> JPNUNCAT861712
    - Format: Books
  - 2. Nippon shinjūkō**
    - Title: にっぽん心中考
    - Author: Satō, Kiyohiko, 1930-  
佐藤清彦, 1930-
    - Published: Tōkyō : Seikyūsha, 1998.
    - Location: ✓ LSF - Request for delivery to any Yale Library >> HV654B J3 S28 1998 (LC)
    - Format: Books

Search for “Japan” in Katakana: 250 results

The screenshot shows the Quicksearch interface with the search term 'ニッポン' entered in the search bar. The search results are displayed in a list format. The first result is 'Nippon hōrōki' with details: Title: ニッポン放浪記, Published: Tōkyō : Iwanami Shoten, 2017, Location: SML Stacks, LC Classification >> JPNUNCAT861712, Format: Books. The second result is 'Nippon shinjūko' with details: Title: にっぽん心中考, Author: Satō, Kiyohiko, 1930-; 佐藤清彦, 1930-, Published: Tōkyō : Seikyūsha, 1998, Location: LSF - Request for delivery to any Yale Library >> HV6548 J3 S28 1998 (LC), Format: Books. The pagination shows '25 of 250' results, with '250' highlighted in a red box. The left sidebar includes navigation options like 'Books+', 'Databases', 'Articles+', and 'Digital Collections', along with a 'Limit your search' section with filters for Format, Publication Date, Author/Creator, Recently Added, Location, Language, Subject, Subject (Region), and Subject (Era).

To maximize the discovery of CJK materials, Han character variants (simplified Chinese, traditional Chinese, Japanese Kanji, and Korean Hanja) are normalized and inter-searchable in Book+.

Search for “Mao Zedong” in simplified Chinese: 2106 results

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Books+  
Databases  
Articles+  
Digital Collections  
More...

Limit your search:

| Format                 | Count |
|------------------------|-------|
| Books                  | 2,078 |
| Dissertations & Theses | 4     |
| Journals & Newspapers  | 8     |
| Microforms             | 2     |
| Notated Music          | 10    |
| Online                 | 7     |
| Other                  | 6     |
| Video                  | 4     |

Search: 毛泽东 | All Fields | [Advanced Search](#)

You searched for: 毛泽东 ✕

« Previous 1 - 10 of 2,106 Next » [Display Options](#)

- 1. Mao Zedong**  
Title: 毛泽东  
Published: Beijing : Zhong yang wen xian chu ban she, 1993.  
Location: ✓ SML Stacks, LC Classification >> D5778 M3 M3638 1993 - Oversize  
Format: Books
- 2. Mao Zedong**  
Title: 毛澤東  
Published: [Xianggang : s.n., 1976]  
Location: ✓ LSF - Request for delivery to any Yale Library >> D5778 M3 M28524  
Format: Books

Search for “Mao Zedong” in traditional Chinese: 2106 results

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| Notated Music          | 10    |
| Online                 | 7     |
| Other                  | 6     |
| Video                  | 4     |

Search: 毛澤東 | All Fields | [Advanced Search](#)

You searched for: 毛澤東 ✕

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Title: 毛澤東  
Published: [Xianggang : s.n., 1976]  
Location: ✓ LSF - Request for delivery to any Yale Library >> D5778 M3 M28524  
Format: Books
- 2. Mao Zedong**  
Title: 毛澤東  
Published: Beijing : Zhong yang wen xian chu ban she, 1993.  
Location: ✓ SML Stacks, LC Classification >> D5778 M3 M3638 1993 - Oversize  
Format: Books

Search for “Mao Zedong” in Japanese kanji: 2106 results

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Databases  
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Digital Collections  
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| Notated Music          | 10    |
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| Other                  | 6     |
| Video                  | 4     |

毛沢東

All Fields

You searched for: 毛沢東

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1. **Mao Zedong**  
Title: 毛澤東  
Published: Beijing : Zhong yang wen xian chu ban she, 1993.  
Location: ✓ SML Stacks, LC Classification >> D5778 M3 M3638 1993 + Oversize  
Format: Books

2. **Mao Zedong**  
Title: 毛澤東  
Published: [Xianggang : s.n., 1976]  
Location: ✓ LSF - Request for delivery to any Yale Library >> D5778 M3 M28524  
Format: Books

When the search returns a mix of Japanese, Chinese and Korean language records, you can narrow down to specific language materials using the language facet.

Language

|            |       |
|------------|-------|
| Chinese    | 1,997 |
| Japanese   | 92    |
| English    | 11    |
| German     | 3     |
| Hausa      | 1     |
| Korean     | 1     |
| Spanish    | 1     |
| Vietnamese | 1     |

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Currently users must go to Orbis or Morris to order library materials. When you find a record you are interested in, select Services/Request in Orbis (or Morris) to find the Orbis (Morris) record and order the material. The image below shows an example record with the Services drop down selected.

The screenshot shows the Quicksearch interface. At the top, the word "Quicksearch" is displayed in a large, reddish-brown font. Below it, the "Books+" logo is on the left, and a search bar contains the text "hardy". To the right of the search bar is a dropdown menu set to "All Fields" and a search icon. Below the search bar is a navigation bar with links: "Back to Results", "Previous 8 of 7,536 Next", "Print", "Email", "Add to My Saved List", "Export", "Display In", "Services", and "Start Over". The "Services" dropdown menu is open, showing options: "Borrow Direct", "ILL", and "GetIT@Yale". The main content area displays a search result for "Hardy : Tess of the D'Urbervilles". The result includes a list of metadata: Author (Hugman, Bruce), Title (Hardy : Tess of the D'Urbervilles / by Bruce Hugman), ISBN (0713155051), Published (London : E. Arnold, c1970, 1974 printing), Physical (62 p. ; 19 cm.), Description (Includes index.), Format (Books), Language (English), Added to (June 1, 2002), Catalog (Series: Studies in English literature ; no. 43), Bibliography (Bibliography: p. 62.), Subjects (Hardy, Thomas, 1840-1928. Tess of the d'Urbervilles.), and Bookmark As (<http://search.library.yale.edu/catalog/5370647>). To the right of the metadata is a box titled "Available from:" containing the following text: "LSF - Request for delivery to any Yale Library", "Request recall or delivery", "Request scan of article / chapter", "PR4748 H84", "Available" (with a green checkmark), and "More info at Google books".

## Technical Background

Quicksearch was built in collaboration with other university libraries, particularly Columbia University, using the open source system Blacklight. It is based on a SOLR index and uses the Ruby on Rails framework . If you are interested in the technical details the [project pages](#) [18] on Github have a good overview.

## FAQ

[FAQ for Quicksearch](#) [19] can be found in our Ask Yale help pages.

## How To Videos (very brief)

**Introduction to Quicksearch**

**Books+ searching tips**

**Limiting to online (or not)**

Using lists to save what you find

[coming soon]

**Source URL:** <https://web.library.yale.edu/quicksearch>

**Links**

- [1] <http://search.library.yale.edu/>
- [2] <http://orbis.library.yale.edu/vwebv/>
- [3] <http://morris.law.yale.edu/>
- [4] <http://yale.summon.serialssolutions.com/#/>
- [5] [http://yalesurvey.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_ePRYbhHrT3D2eEd](http://yalesurvey.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ePRYbhHrT3D2eEd)
- [6] [https://yalesurvey.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\\_ePRYbhHrT3D2eEd](https://yalesurvey.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_ePRYbhHrT3D2eEd)
- [7] <http://search.library.yale.edu/catalog>
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- [9] [https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?\\_=1584367252483&f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&q=&rows=25&search\\_field=all\\_fields](https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?_=1584367252483&f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&q=&rows=25&search_field=all_fields)
- [10] [https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&f%5Bsubject\\_form\\_facet%5D%5B%5D=Statistics&q=&search\\_field=all\\_fields](https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&f%5Bsubject_form_facet%5D%5B%5D=Statistics&q=&search_field=all_fields)
- [11] [https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&f%5Bsubject\\_form\\_facet%5D%5B%5D=Text+corpora&q=&rows=25&search\\_field=all\\_fields](https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&f%5Bsubject_form_facet%5D%5B%5D=Text+corpora&q=&rows=25&search_field=all_fields)
- [12] [https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?\\_=1584367203639&f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&f%5Bsubject\\_form\\_facet%5D%5B%5D=Images&q=&rows=25&search\\_field=all\\_fields](https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?_=1584367203639&f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&f%5Bsubject_form_facet%5D%5B%5D=Images&q=&rows=25&search_field=all_fields)
- [13] [https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?\\_=1584367252483&f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&f%5Bsubject\\_form\\_facet%5D%5B%5D=Geospatial+data&q=&rows=25&search\\_field=all\\_fields](https://search.library.yale.edu/catalog?_=1584367252483&f%5Bformat%5D%5B%5D=Data+Sets&f%5Bsubject_form_facet%5D%5B%5D=Geospatial+data&q=&rows=25&search_field=all_fields)
- [14] <http://search.library.yale.edu/databases>
- [15] <http://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpsol/roman.html>
- [16] <https://guides.library.yale.edu/cjk-romanization/>
- [17] <https://web.library.yale.edu/quicksearch>
- [18] <https://github.com/projectblacklight/blacklight/wiki/Understanding-Rails-and-Blacklight>
- [19] <http://ask.library.yale.edu/search/?t=0&adv=1&topics=Quicksearch>