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Google Scholar
Mysteries of the Library Revealed!
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Overview

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Searching Google Scholar

1. Basic search techniques
   - Break your topic into main ideas
   - AND is implied
   - Use quotation marks to search for a phrase (example: “high school students”)
   - Advanced search options under menu in the top left

2. Decode results page
   - Determine what type of material you’re looking at
   - Click the title for information about the source
3. Get the full text
   • Link Google Scholar to the Walden Library
   • Walden Library’s pre-configured Google Scholar search
   • Full text options: Find @ Walden, online for free, Document Delivery Service (DDS)

Google Scholar as a Research Tool

- **Citation chaining**
  - A way to move forward in the literature
  - “Cited by” feature
  - “Search within citing articles”

- **Alerts**
  - Keep current in the literature
  - Passive searching
  - Set specific criteria

- **Author profiles**
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