Mysteries of the Library: Revealed!
Thoreau

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Welcome to our Webinar!

• The **PowerPoint** is available in the Handouts section.

• This webinar will be **recorded** and emailed to you within the next day or two.

• We will answer **content-related questions** as we go along. For all other Library questions, please use our [Ask a Librarian service](#).

• **Closed captioning** is available. The link will be shared in chat.
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Webinar Series

- Monthly webinar on a library topic.
- Third Monday of the month at 8:30 p.m. Eastern.
- Next webinars will be:
  - Mysteries of the Library: Revealed! Finding Full Text in the Library; November 19, 2018 8:30 pm EST
  - Mysteries of the Library: Revealed! Google Scholar; December 17, 2018 8:30 pm EST
What is Thoreau?

• Thoreau is a multi-database search tool developed for the Walden University Library.

• Thoreau searches much of the Library's collection, but not everything.

• It brings back videos/articles/books

• It doesn’t search all databases.
When should you use Thoreau?

- Undergraduate research
- Graduate research for discussions or quick reference
- Topics that fit multiple subject areas
- Topics that don't fit a subject area
- When you get few results in a subject-specific database
- General exploratory search
When should you **not** use Thoreau?

- It should not be used for doctoral capstone research for your dissertation or project study, *except* as a starting point to get ideas for subject terms or potential databases.

- It should not be used when your topic is extremely broad *and* easily aligns with a research home subject.
How do you access Thoreau?
Let's Try It Out!!
Have Questions? Need help?

- **Quick Answers**
- **Ask a Librarian**
- **Live and Recorded Webinars**... including archived and upcoming Mysteries sessions.