Information Search Workshop

8th October 2025

delivered by Kidsploration Library

Objectives

WHERE to find your resources?

HOW to **find** your resources

HOW to **access** your resources

- Efficiently
- Effectively
- Intuitively

Overview

- Where to look for information resources
- How to search & access
- Search techniques
- Your Library Account

Introduction

Here at YCCECE College Library, we have a subscription to EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS). EBSCO is an information service provider of research databases, ebooks, ejournals and other digital content.

EDS is a content discovery service: a one stop shop to access the Library's entire collection (databases, e-books, magazines, videos and digital content) via a single search index.

Where?

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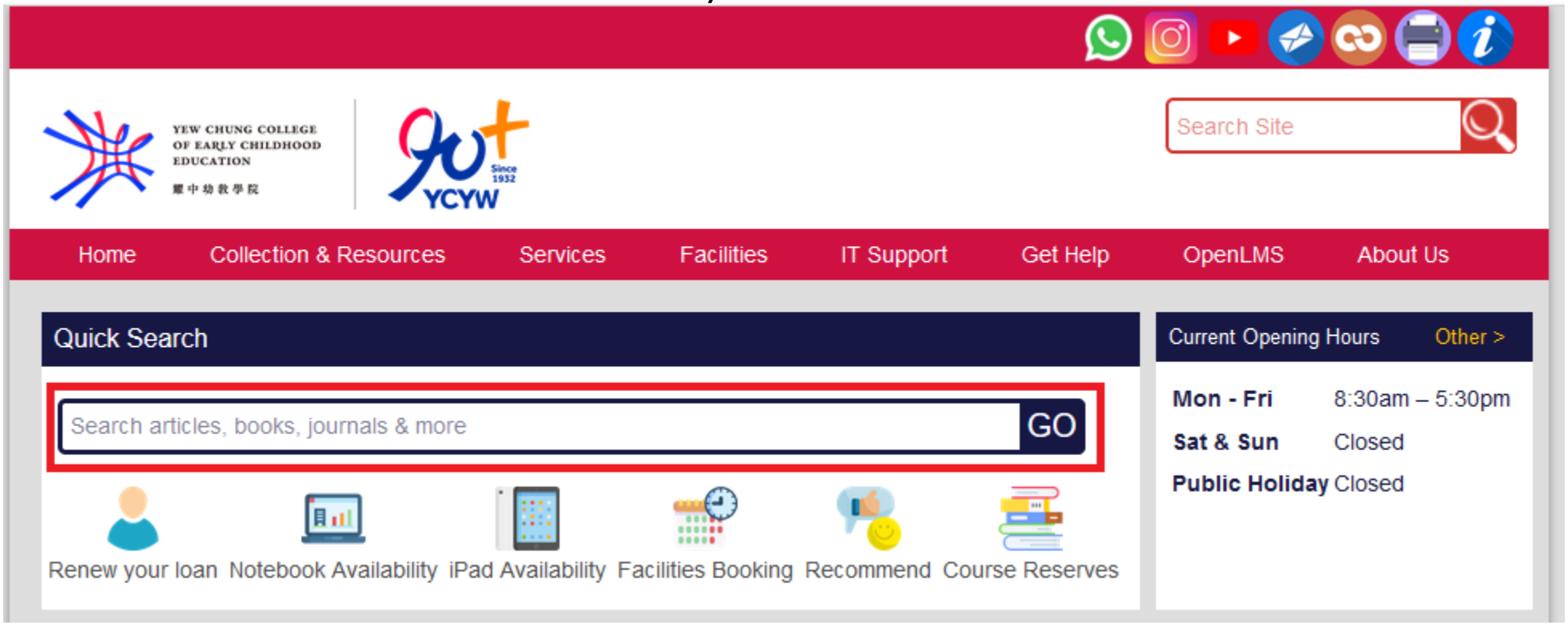

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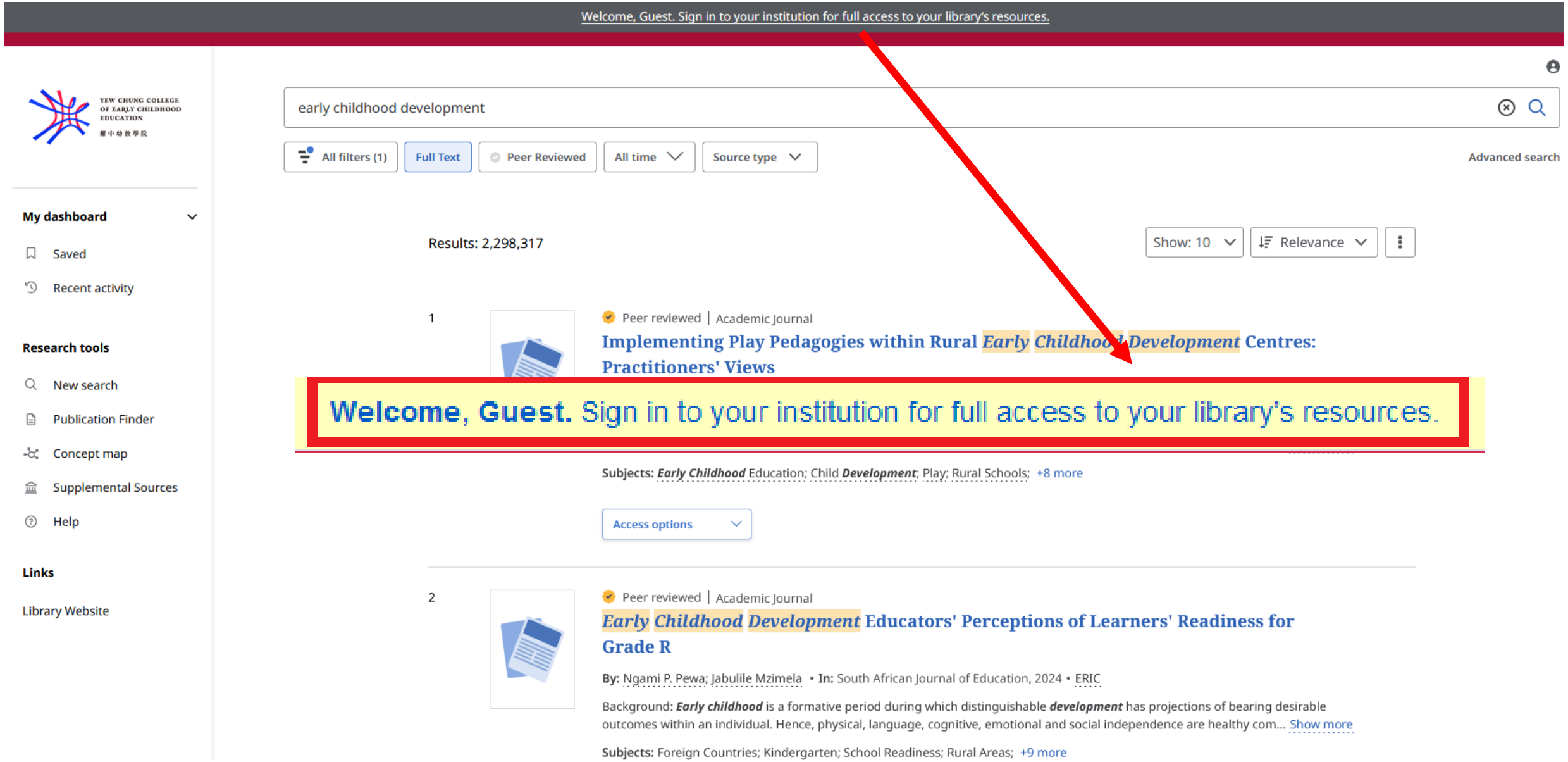

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early childhood education

All filters (1) | Full Text | Peer Reviewed | All time | Source type | Advanced search

My dashboard

- Projects
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Research tools

- New search
- Publication Finder
- Concept map
- Supplemental Sources
- Help

Links

Library Website

Results: 1,918,571

Show: 10 | Relevance

PUBLICATION

Book

Early Childhood Education

Subjects: Education -- Theory and practice of education -- Early childhood education; Education -- Early Childhood and Primary Education; Early Childhood Education; EDUCATION / General

ISBN: 978-1-4718-4669-4; 978-1-4718-4671-7

About this publication →

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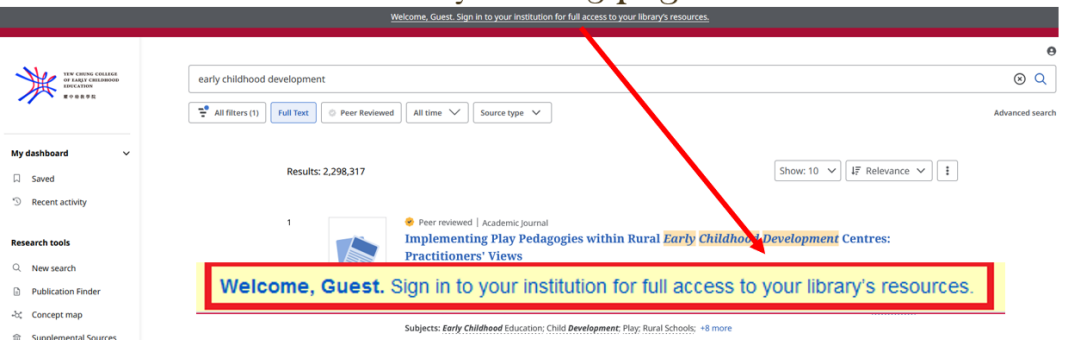

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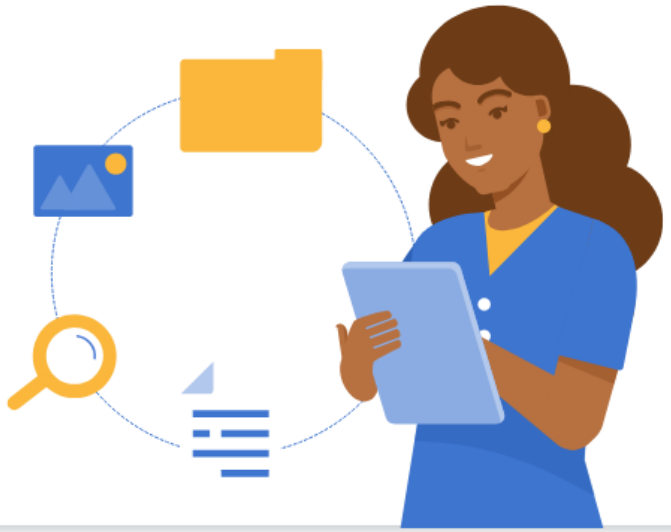

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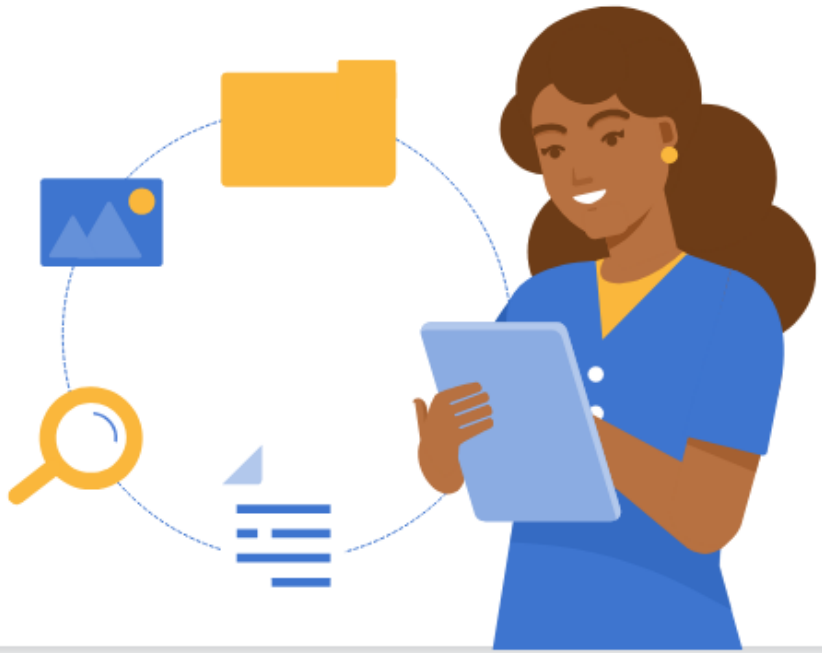

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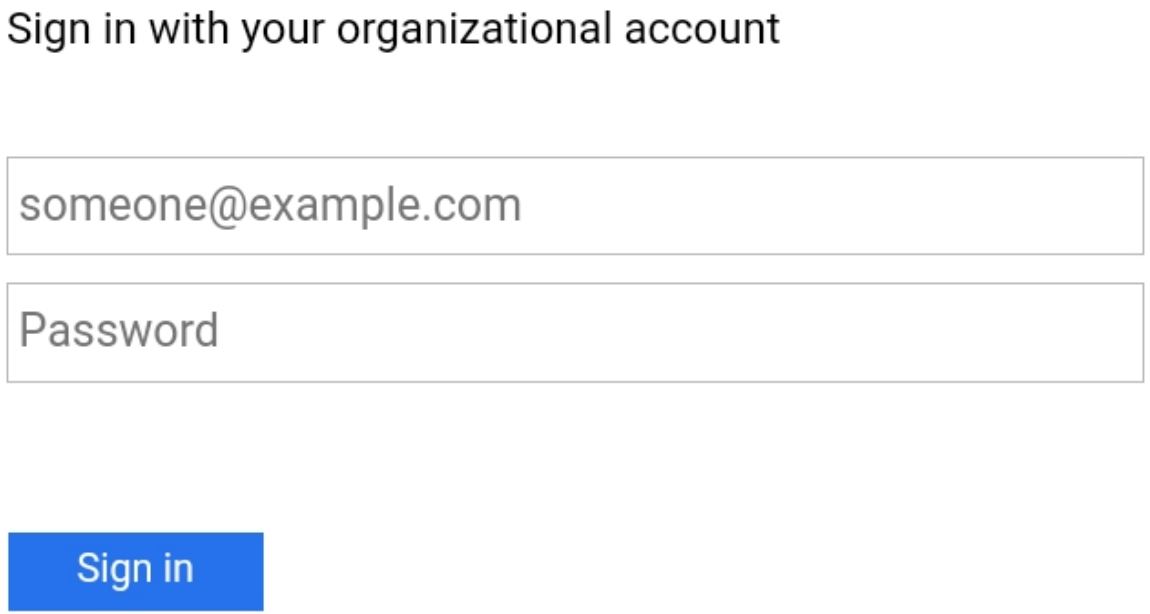

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Hands-on practice

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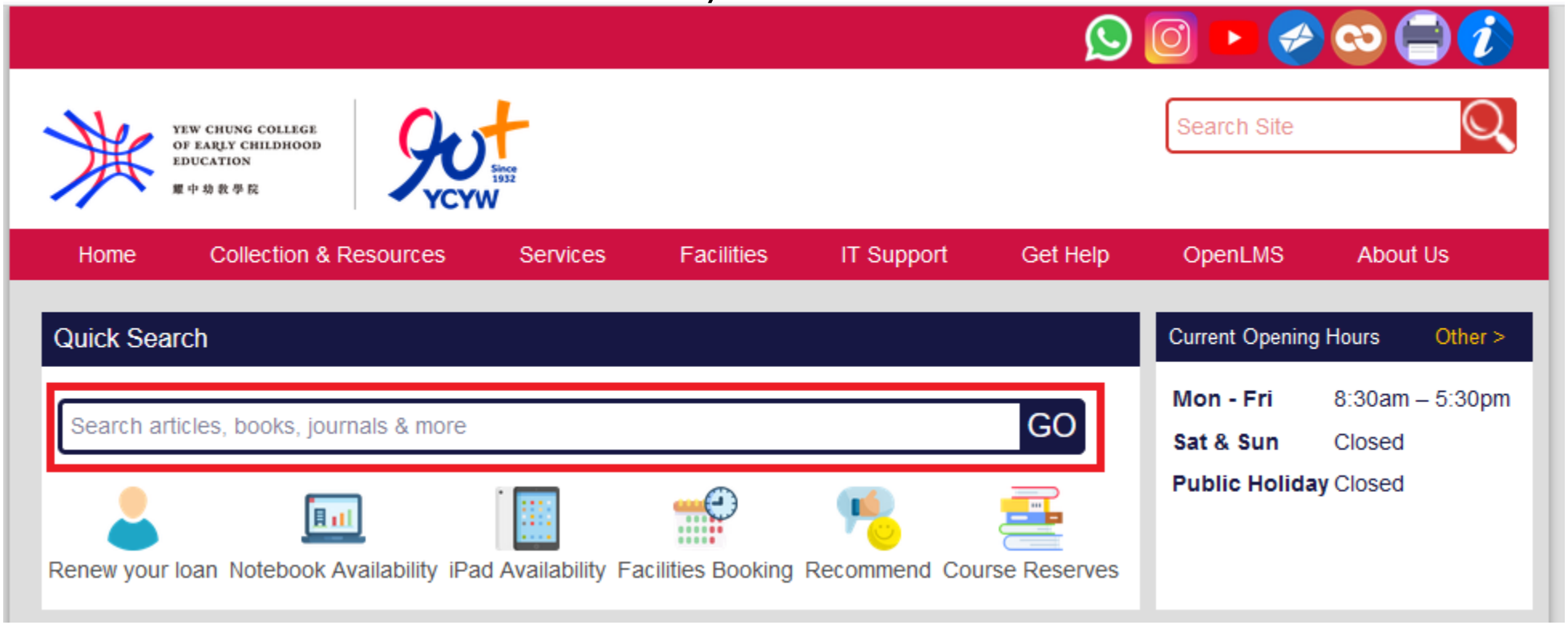

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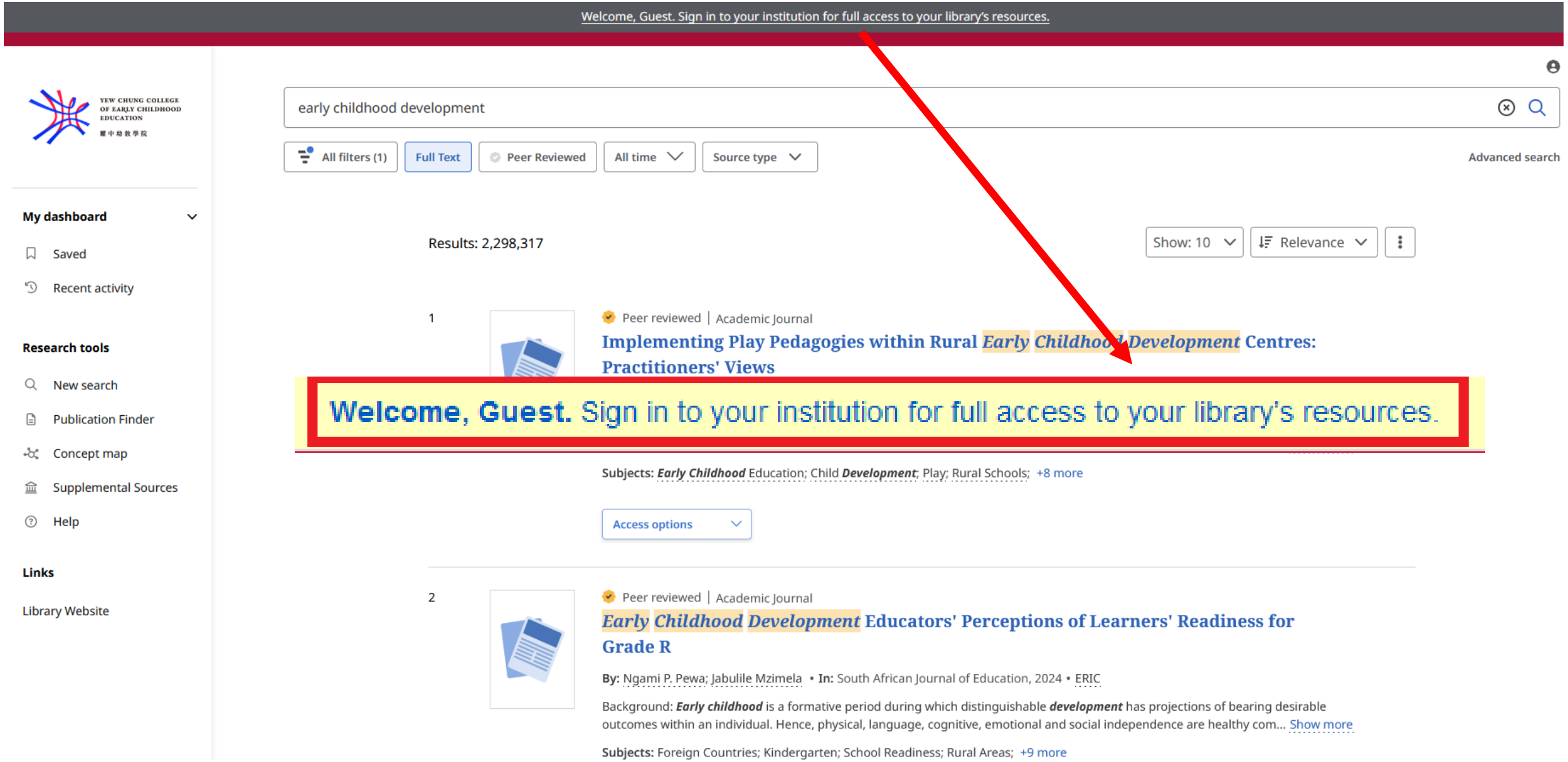

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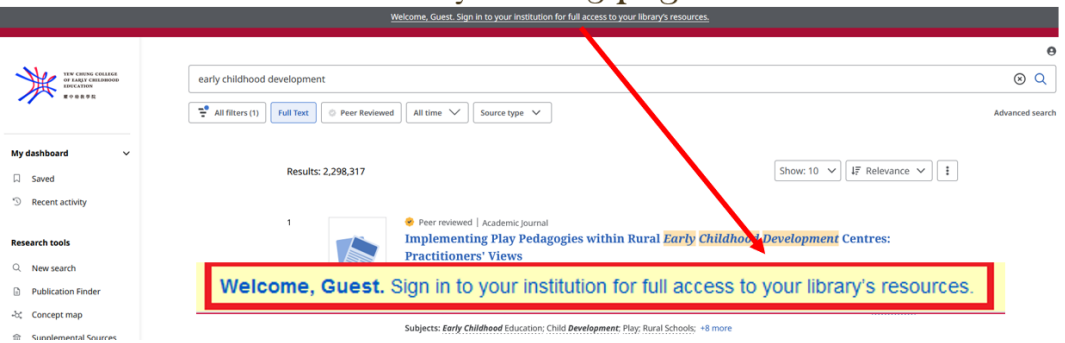

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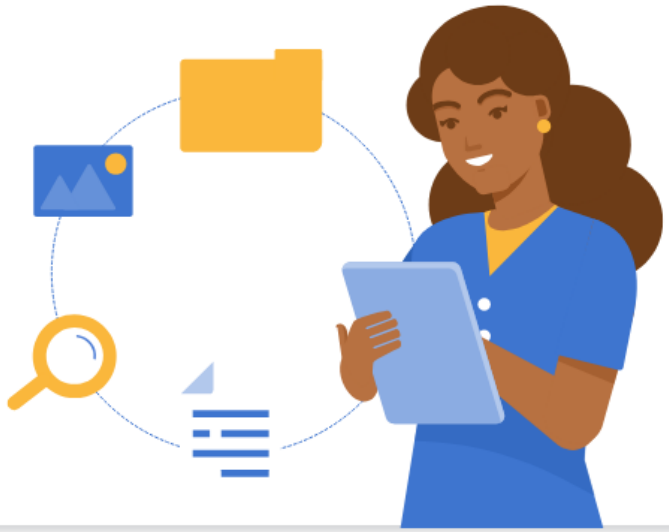

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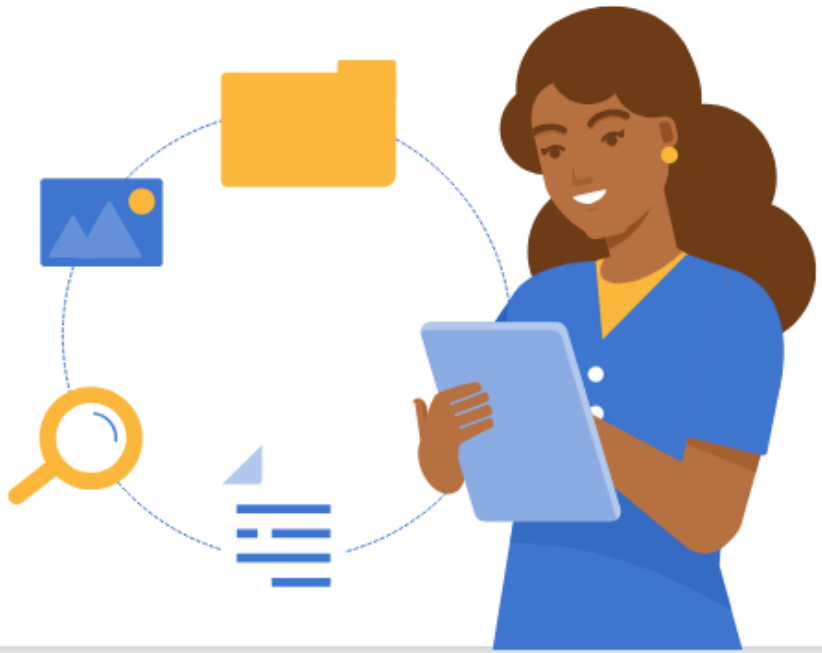

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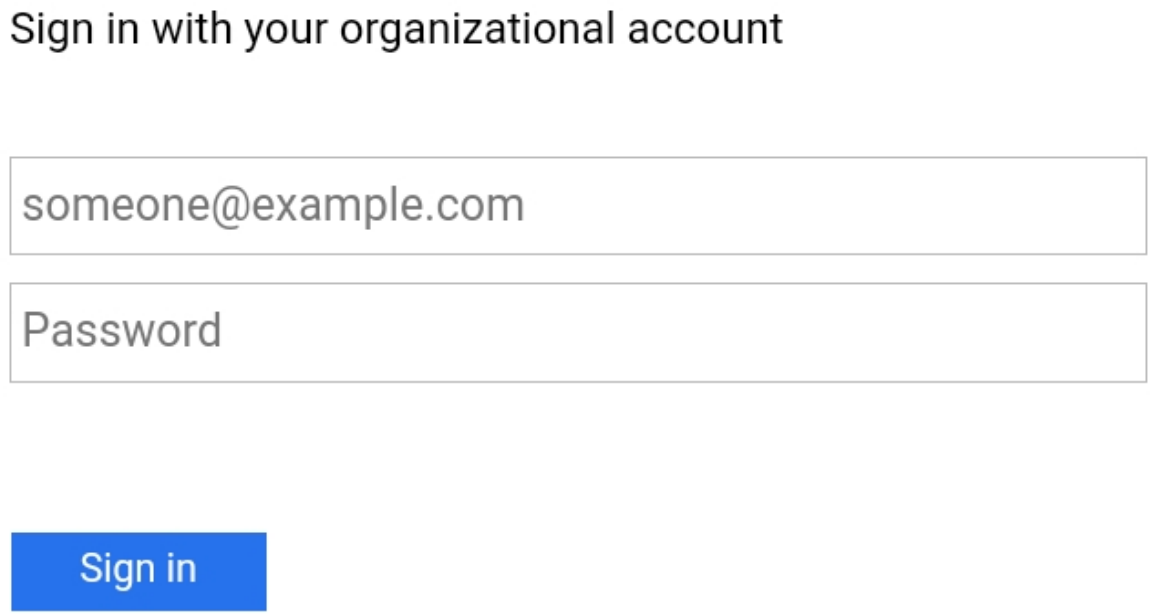
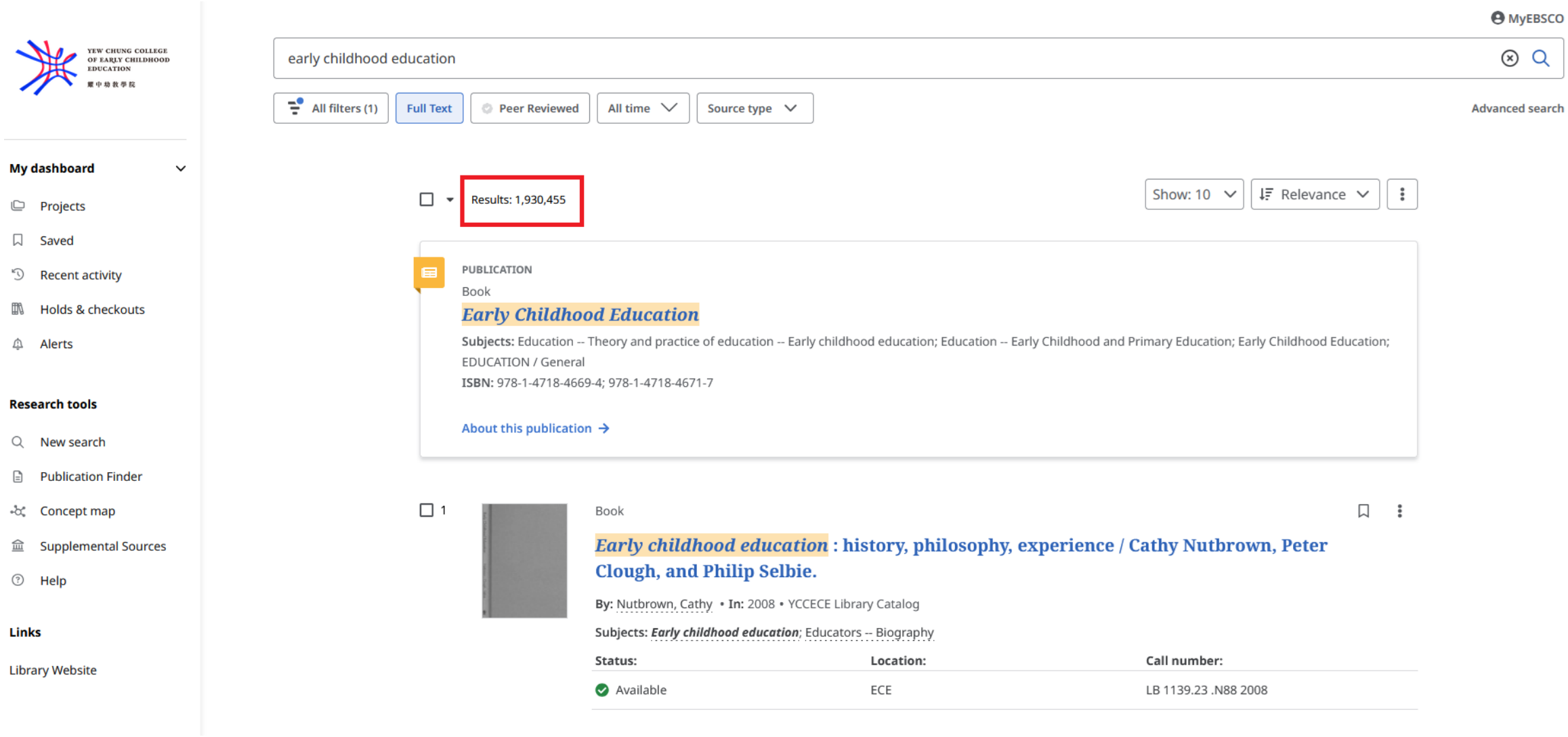


Results from a basic / unrefined search: what it looks like



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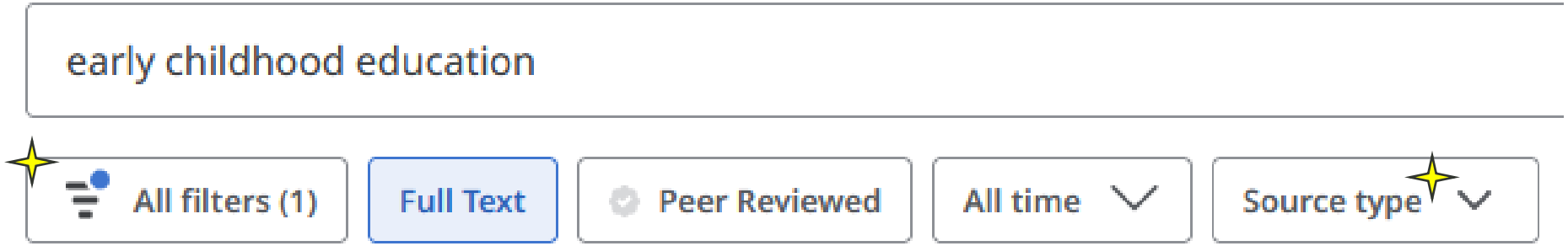

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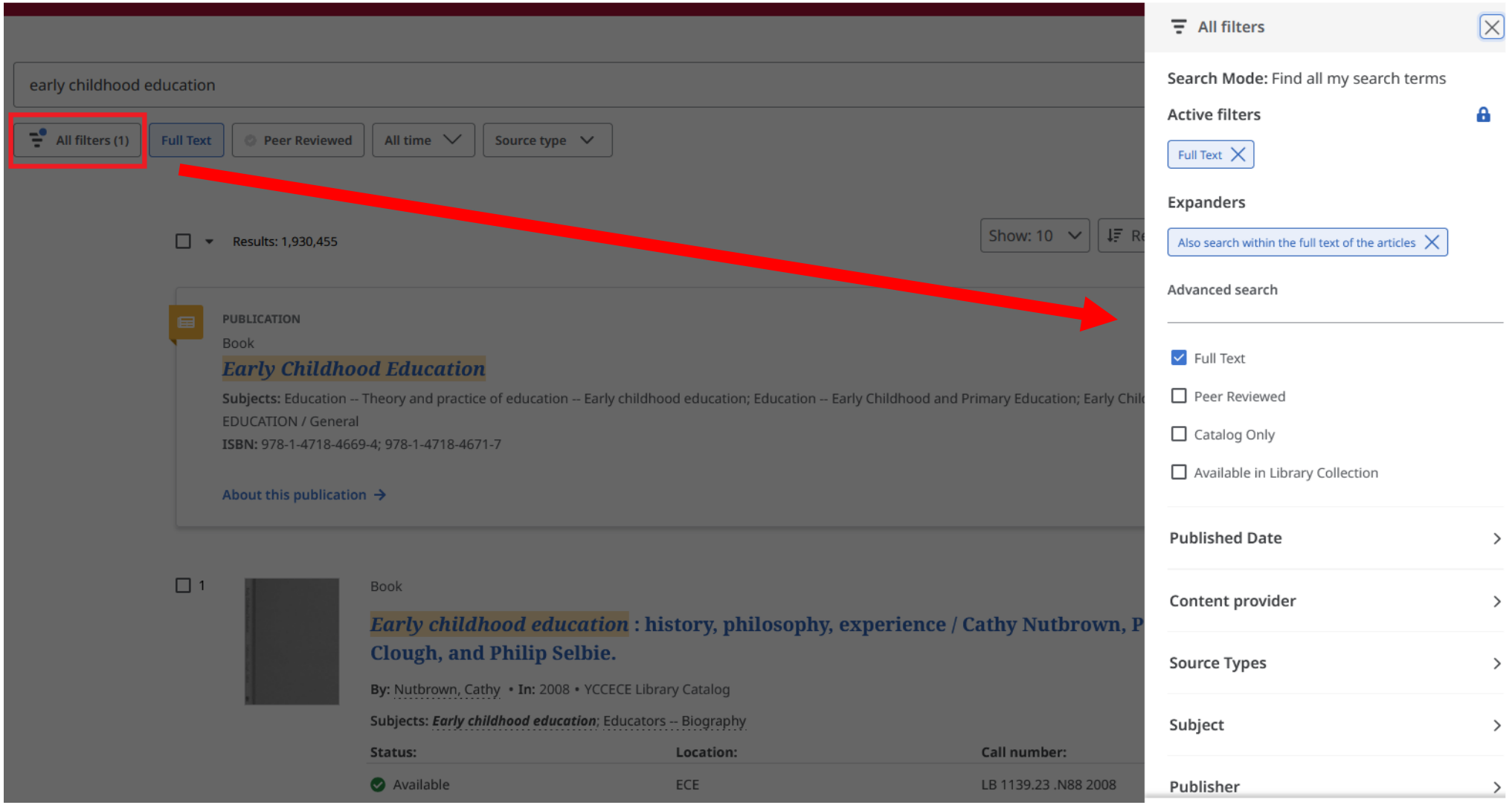

Select Filters

Available Options:

- Full Text?
- Within Library's collection?
- Source Types
- Published Date

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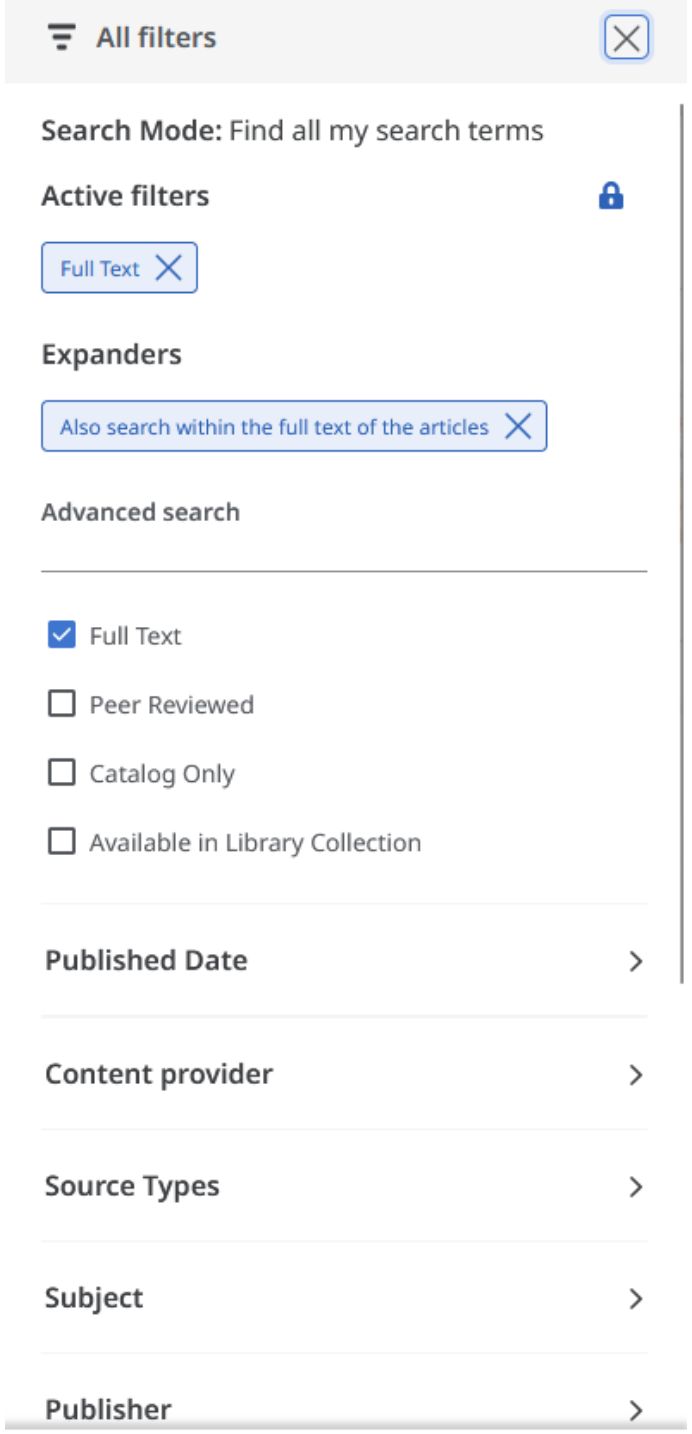

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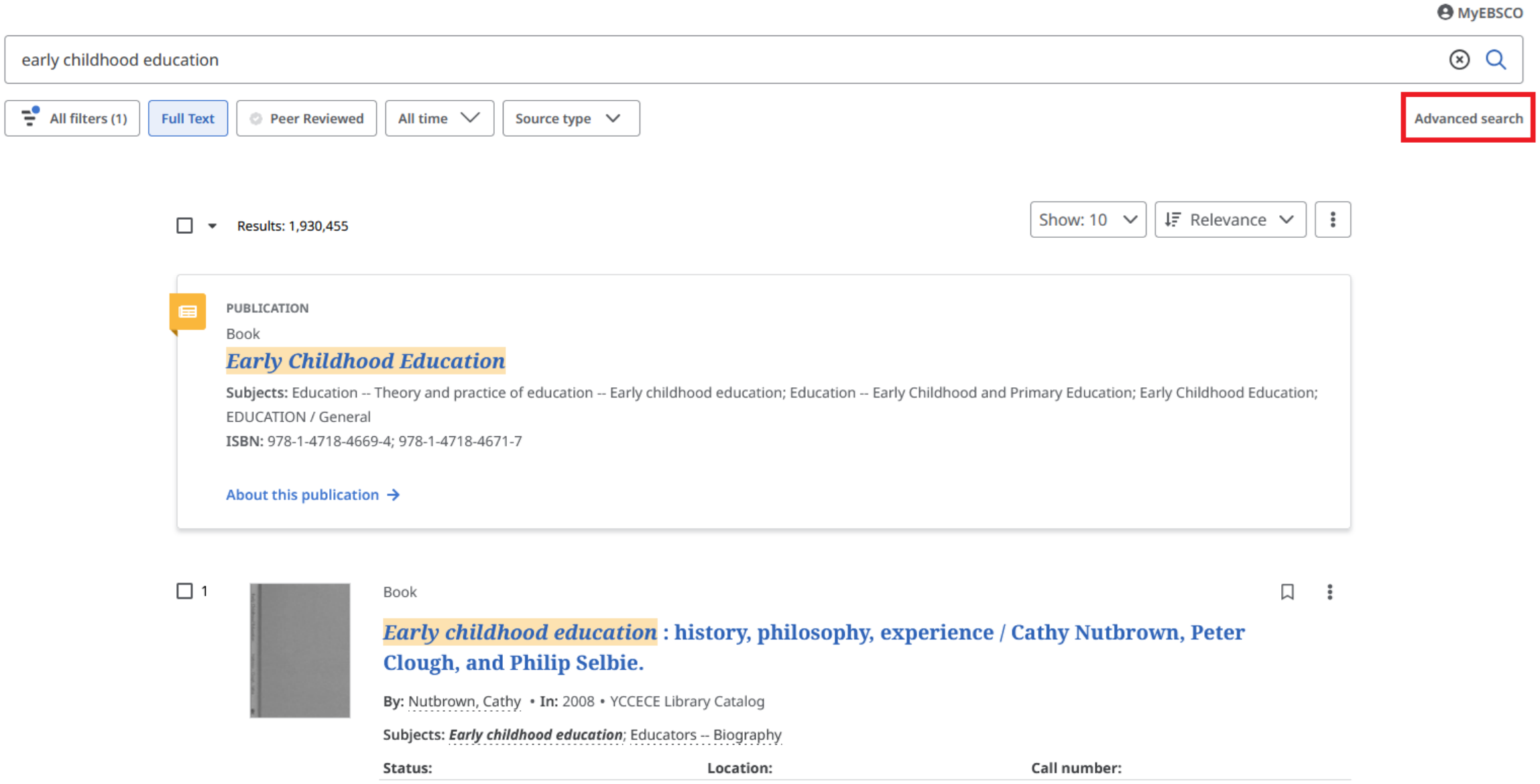
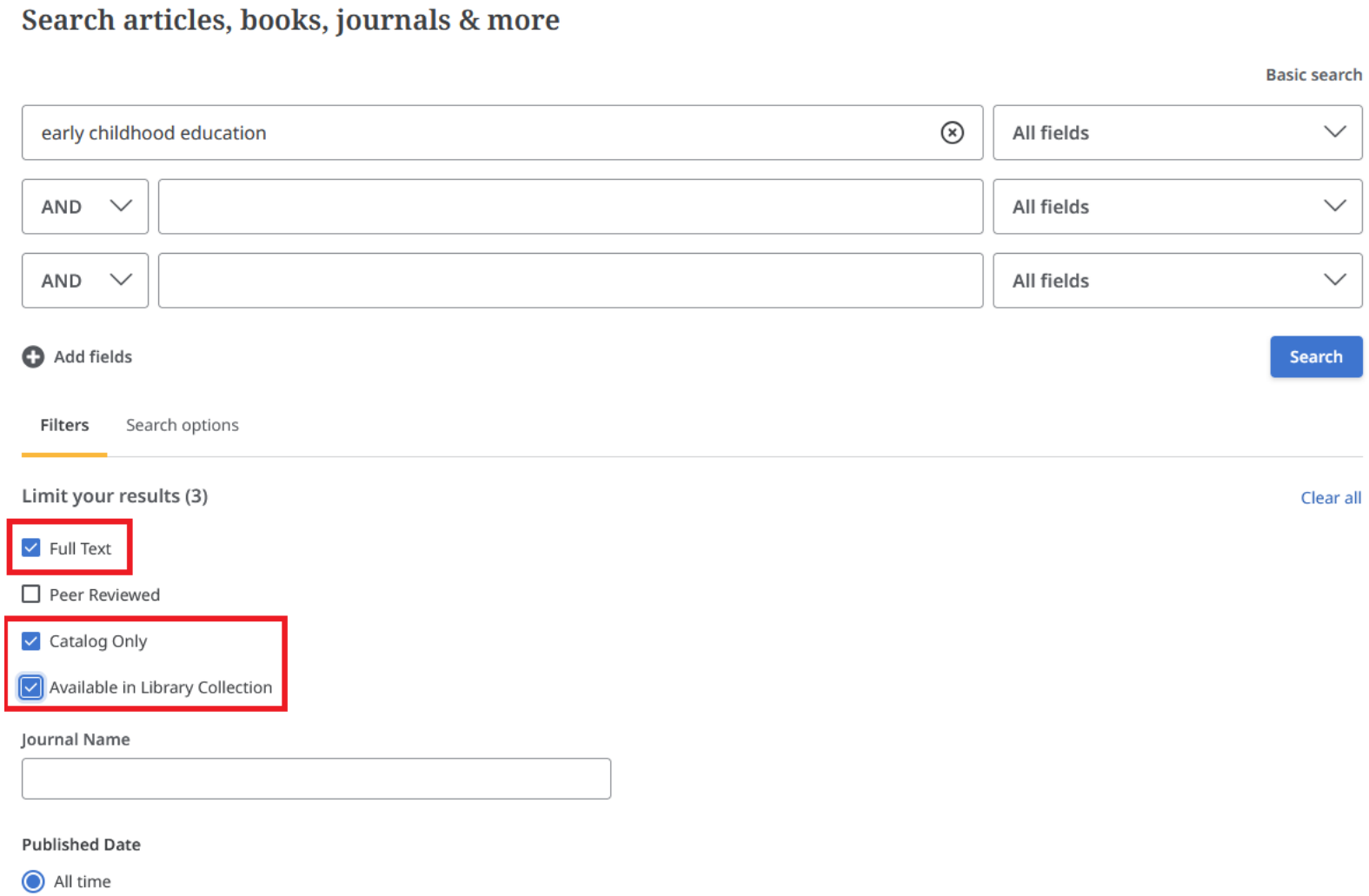


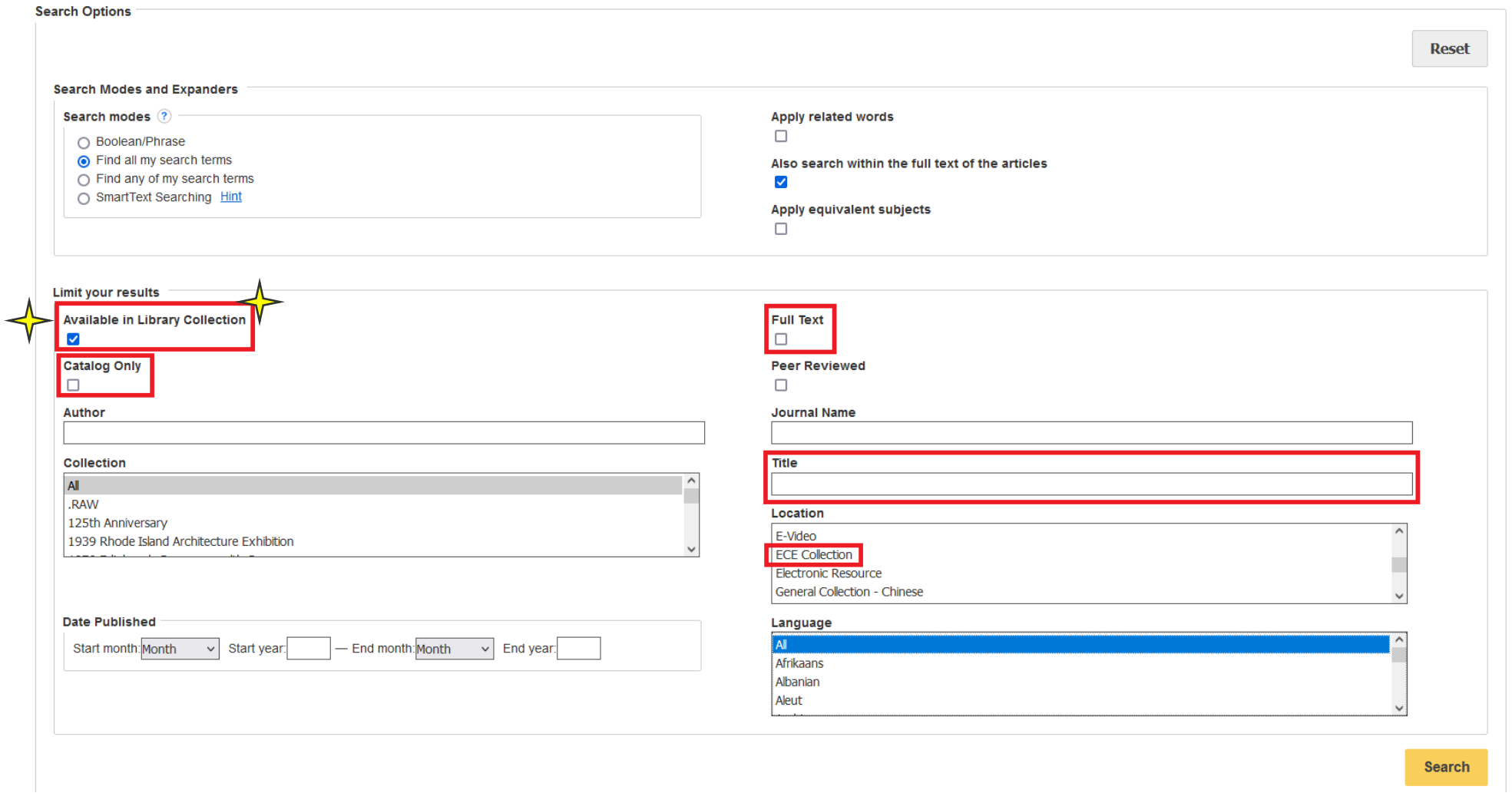
Setting limiters



In the Search Options, there are several ways to refine your search. For example, you can select Available in Library Collection, Full Text, Location.

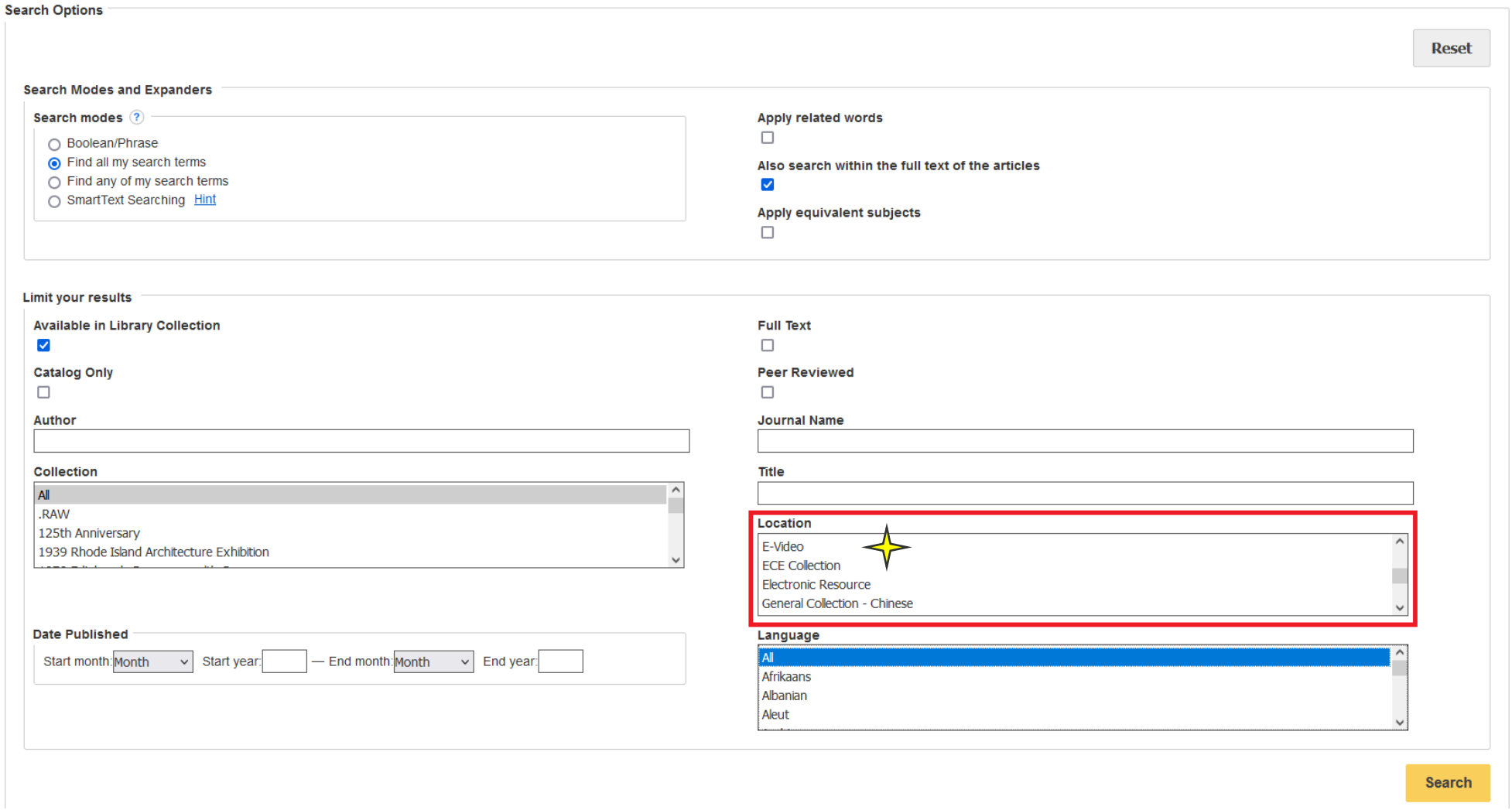
* If you know the author or title information you can type them here as well (in the Advanced Search section)

Setting limiters: Available in Library Collection



The **Available in Library Collection** limiter restricts results to those items whose full text is available online (via EBSCOhost full text databases, electronic journals, etc.) or content physically available in your library. The **Catalog Only** limiter limits results to only those items available from our Library's catalogue.

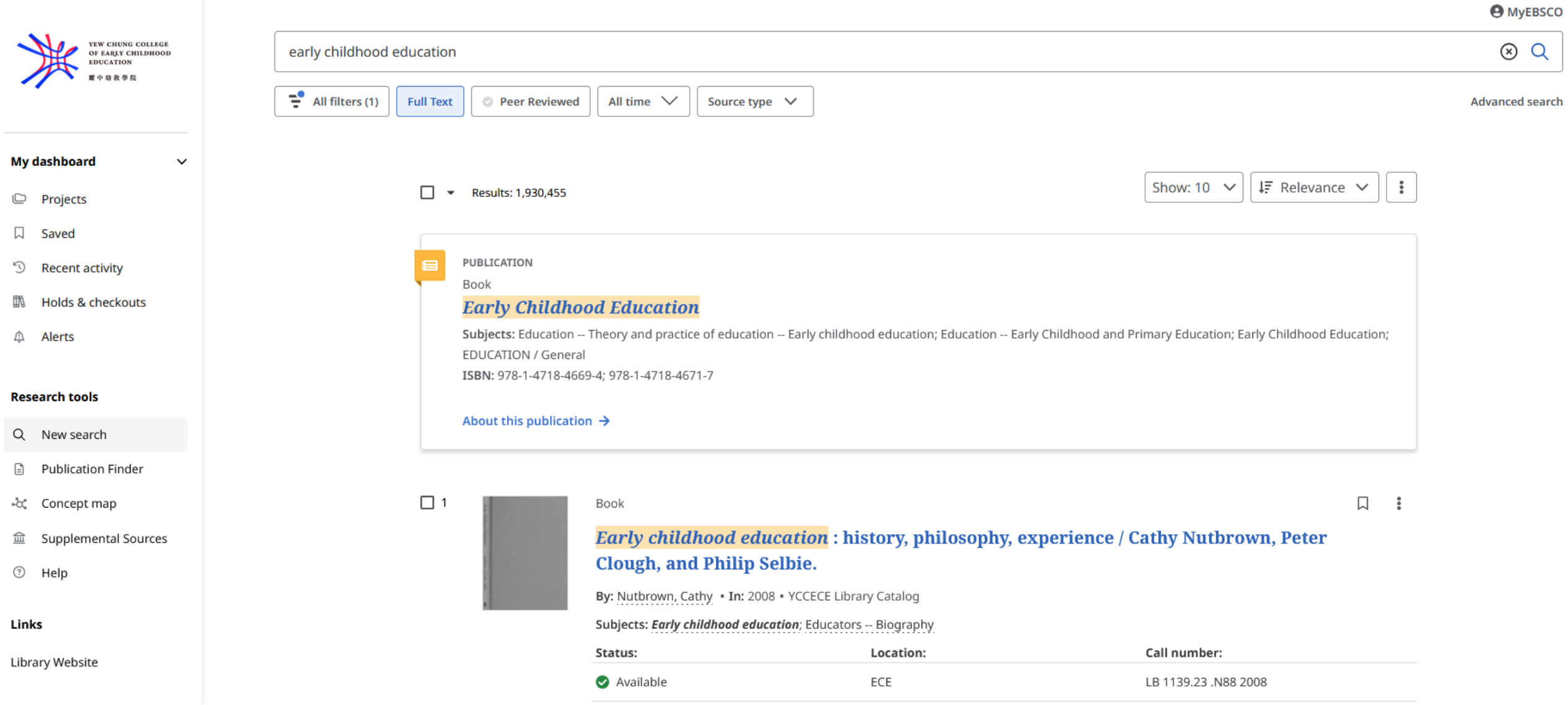
Setting limiters: Location



The Location limiter allows you to limit your results to items that are available from a specified collection in the Library. You can select multiple locations by holding down the **Ctrl** key and clicking the desired locations in the list. Select your desired limiters and click Search.

Let's go back to our search

The result list is displayed



Scaling down the number of results

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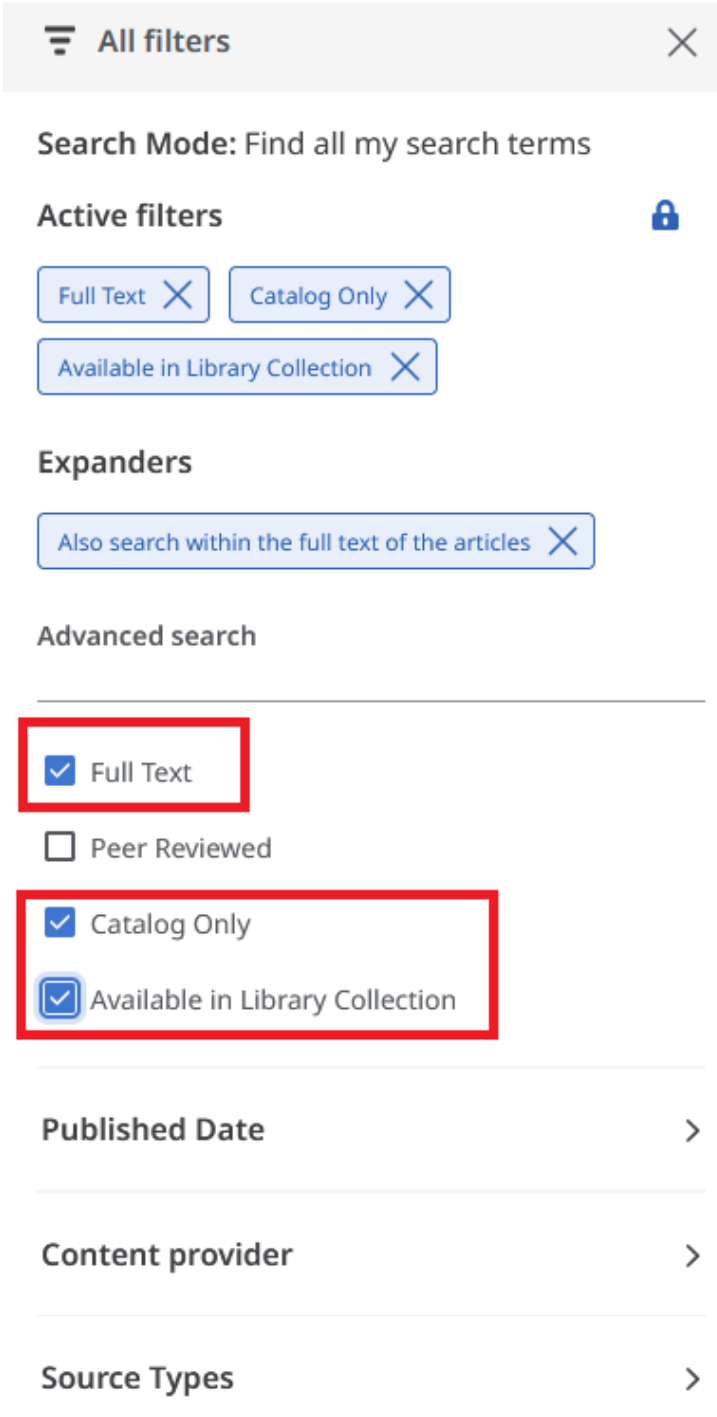
= everything in the Library's collections

PLUS

Select: "Full Text" you want full-text journals and eBooks
= electronic resources the Library has a subscription to



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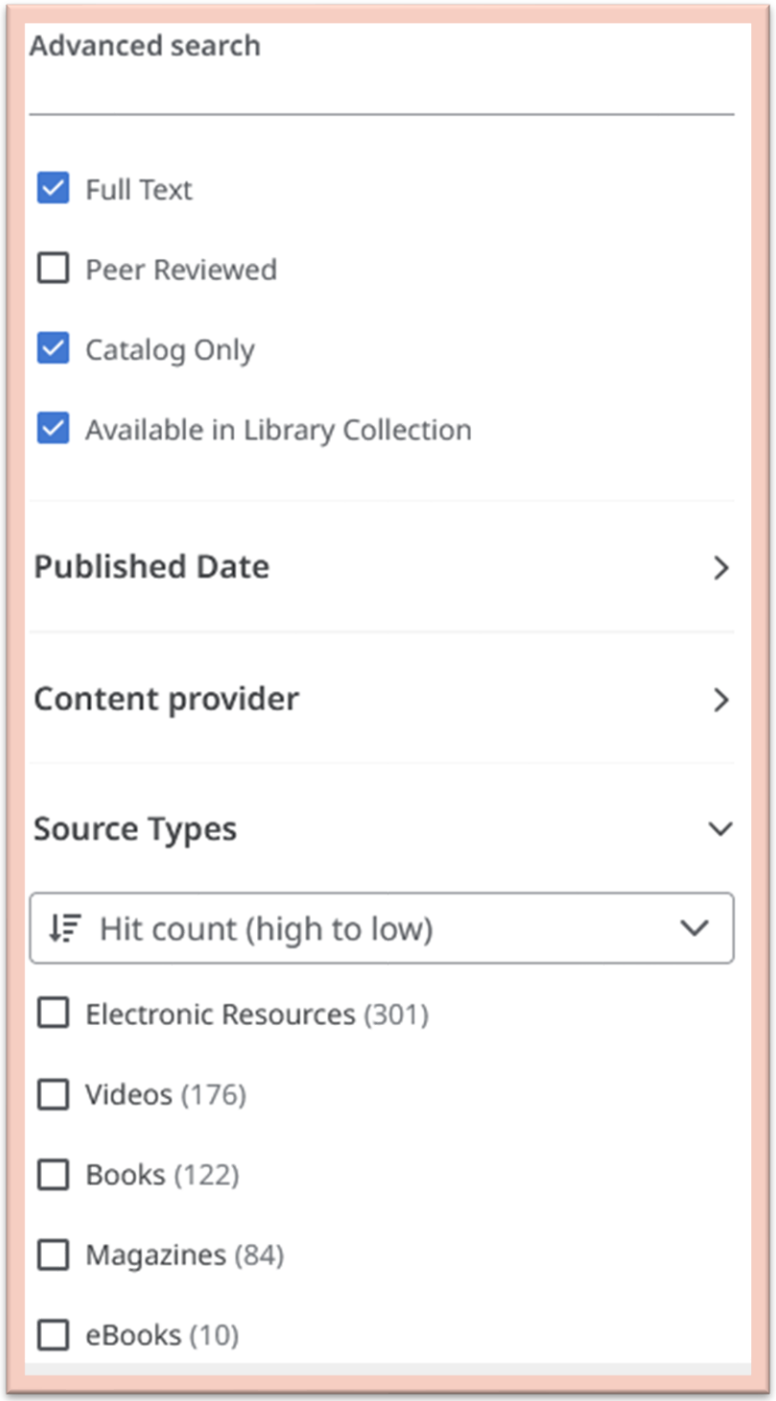
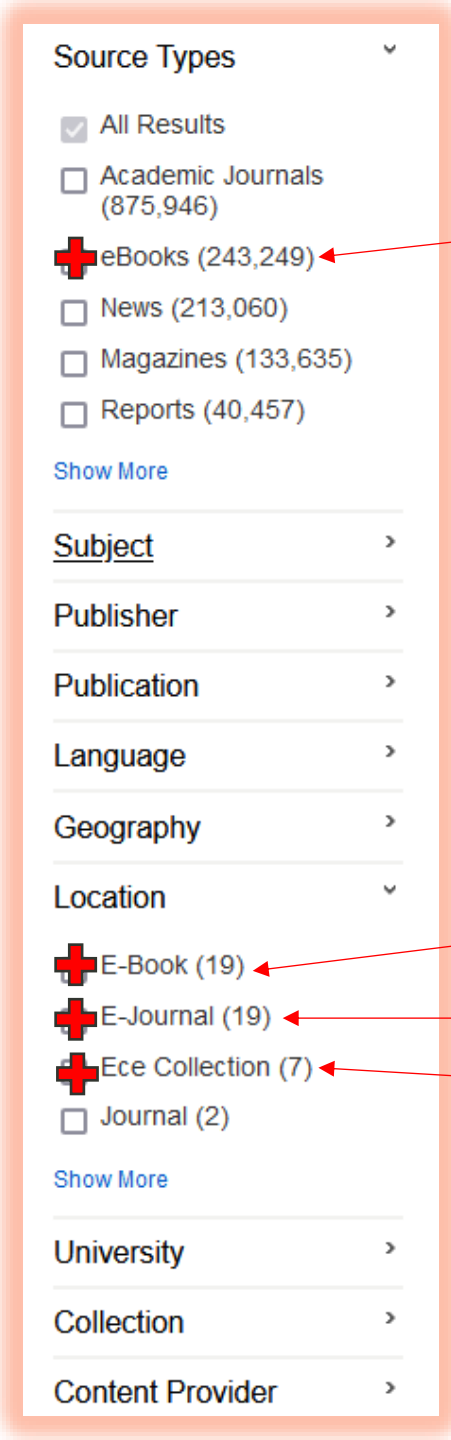


Other available facets (such as Source Types, Subject, Location)



SOURCE TYPES

eBooks

LOCATION

(i.e. Specified location within Kidsploration Library / Collection as defined by the Library)

E-Book

E-Journal

ECE Collection

The result list is displayed – previewing the record (brief record view)

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Access options

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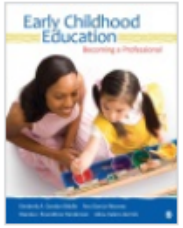

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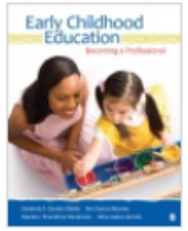

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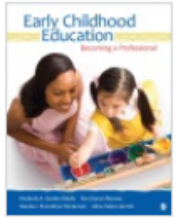

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What's a call number?

I.) An identifier tells us where the item is located

II.) A system: The Library of Congress Classification Scheme is used in Kidsploration Library

III.) A classification scheme to categorise a book / item according to its subject

IV.) A call number is assigned to each resource, which is shelved accordingly

Library of Congress classification outline

Class	Subjects
A	GENERAL WORKS
B	PHILOSOPHY. PSYCHOLOGY. RELIGION
C	AUXILIARY SCIENCES OF HISTORY
D	WORLD HISTORY AND HISTORY OF EUROPE, ASIA, AFRICA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, ETC.
E - F	HISTORY OF THE AMERICAS
G	GEOGRAPHY. ANTHROPOLOGY. RECREATION
H	SOCIAL SCIENCES
J	POLITICAL SCIENCE
K	LAW
L	EDUCATION
M	MUSIC AND BOOKS ON MUSIC
N	FINE ARTS
P	LANGUAGE & LITERATURE
Q	SCIENCE
R	MEDICINE
S	AGRICULTURE
T	TECHNOLOGY
U	MILITARY SCIENCE
V	NAVAL SCIENCE
Z	BIBLIOGRAPHY. LIBRARY SCIENCE. INFORMATION RESOURCES (GENERAL)

Call number (cont'd)

I.) In the Library, the collection is divided into different sections / areas

II.) The main one is ECE on the lefthand side of the Library; and the General Collection on the right

III.) They used the Library of Congress call number

IV.) The Children's Books Collection – in alphabetical order, minus the article "a / an" "the"

CLASS:

A – GENERAL WORKS

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Subclass	B	Philosophy (General)	
	BF	Psychology	
		712 – 723	Child psychology

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H – SOCIAL SCIENCES

Subclass	H	Social sciences (General)	
	HF	Commerce	
	HQ	The family. Marriage. Women	
		767.8 – 792.2	Child development

J – POLITICAL SCIENCE

K – LAW

L – EDUCATION

Subclass	L	Education (General)	
	LB	Theory and practice of education	
		1025 – 1050.7	Teaching (Principles and practice)
		1050.9 – 1091	Educational psychology
		1101 – 1139	Child study
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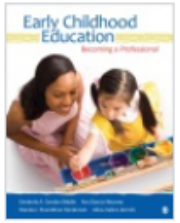

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Early childhood education **: becoming a professional / Kimberly A. Gordon Biddle, California State University, Sacramento, Ana Garcia-Nevarez, California State University, Sacramento, Wanda J. Roundtree Henderson, California State University, Sacramento, Alicia Valero-Kerrick, California State University, Sacramento.**

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Subjects: ***Early childhood*** teachers -- Training of; ***Early childhood education*** -- Study and teaching

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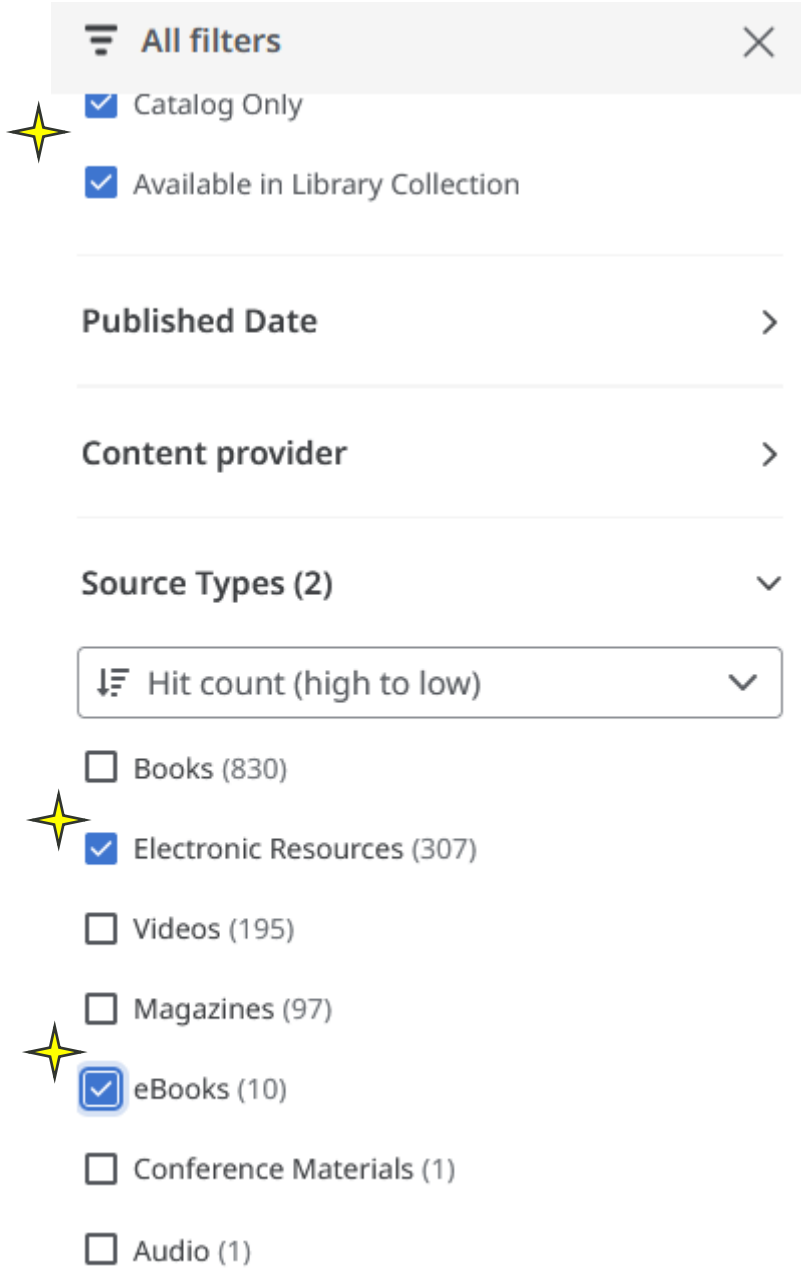

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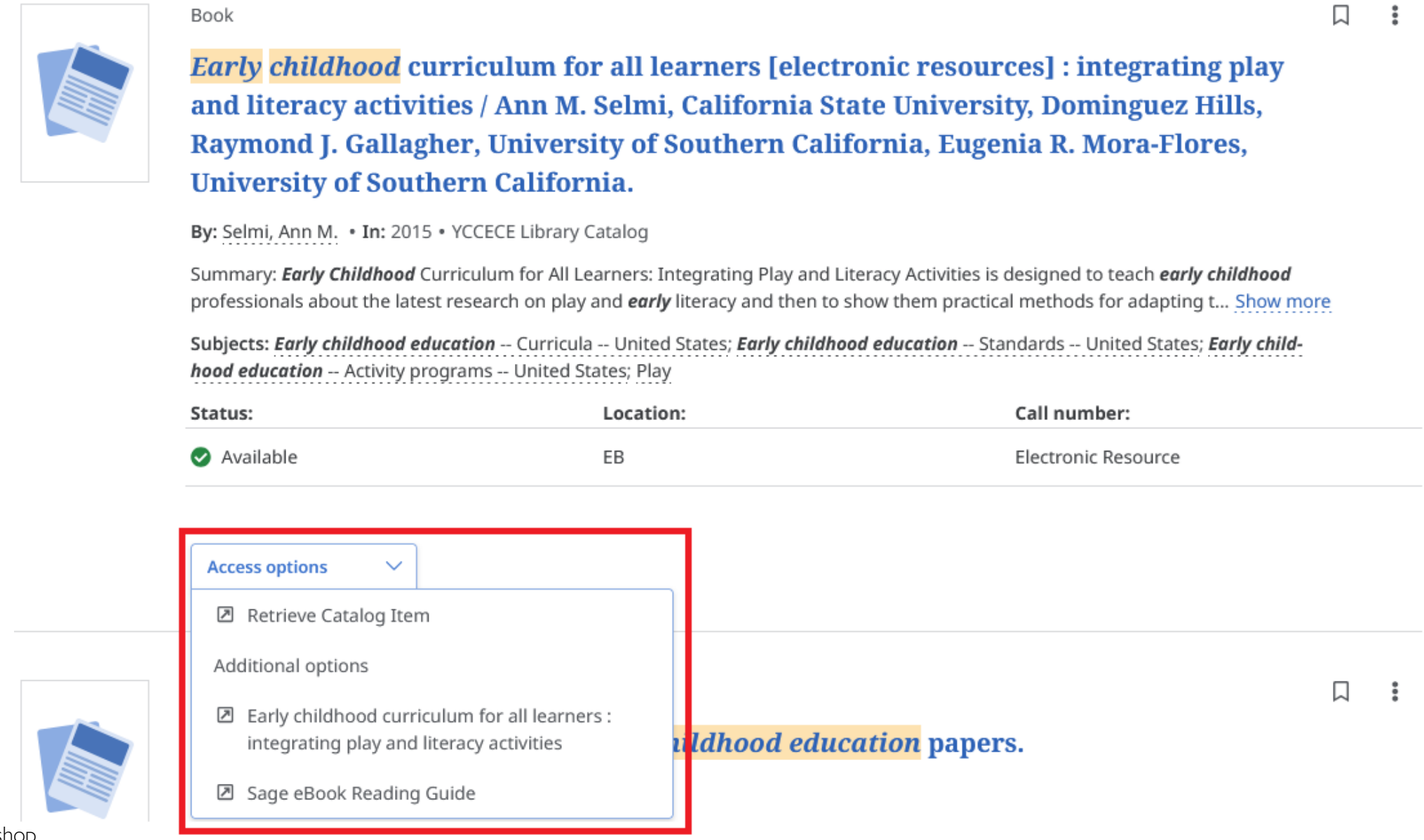

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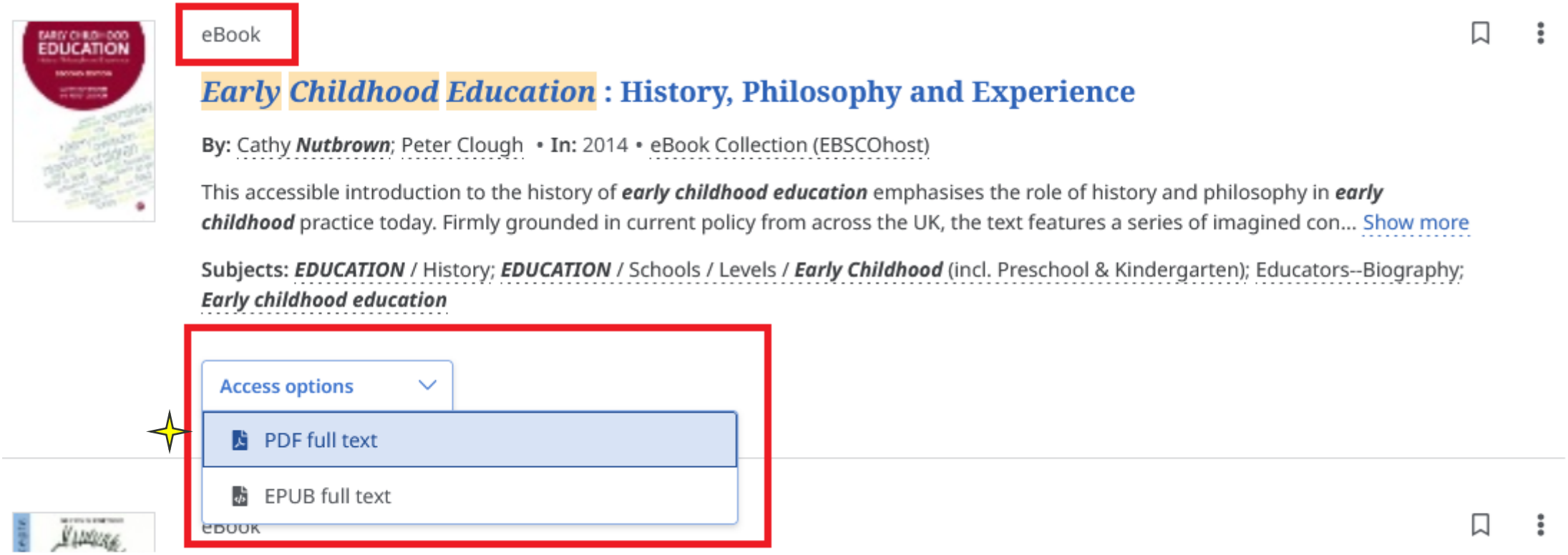

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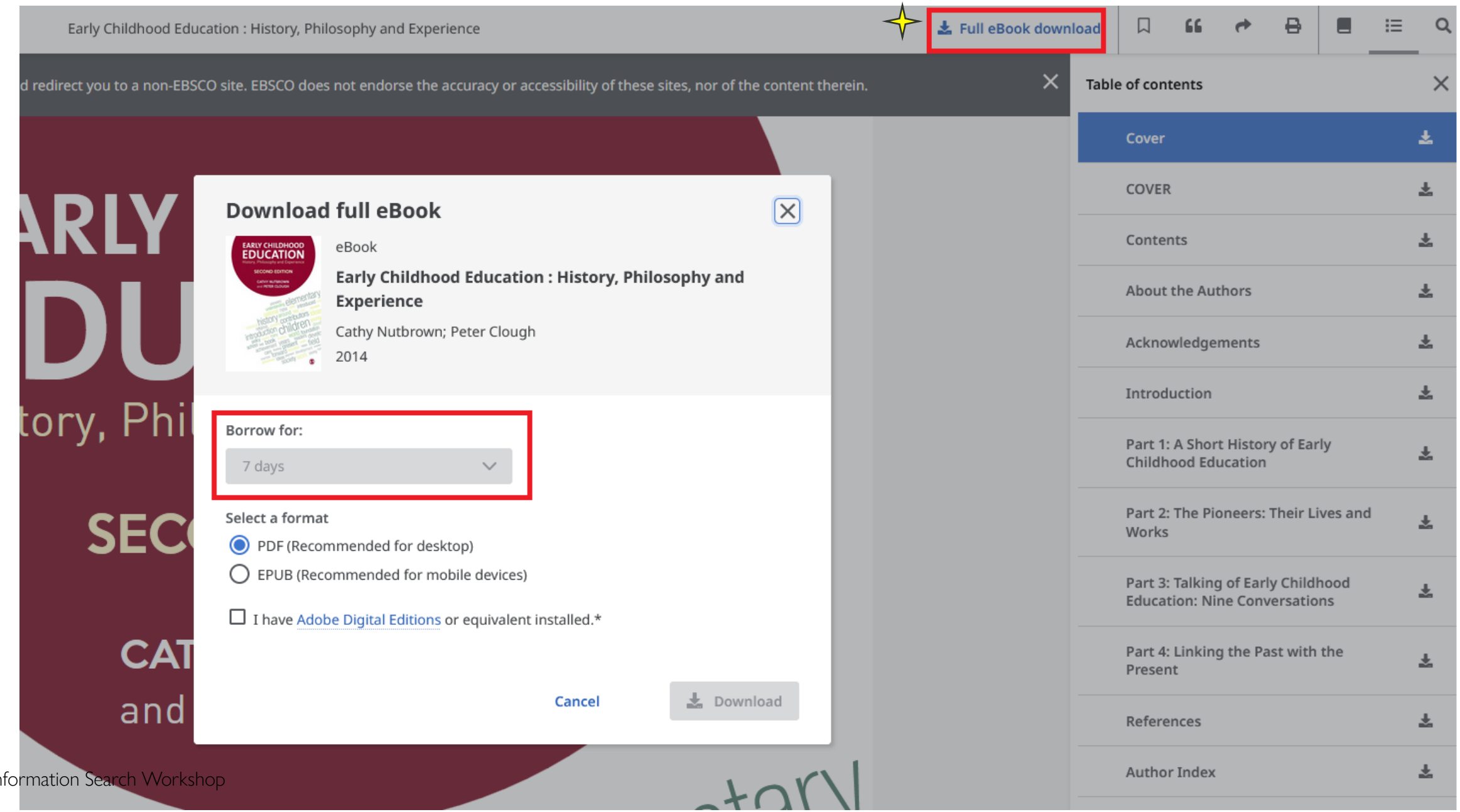

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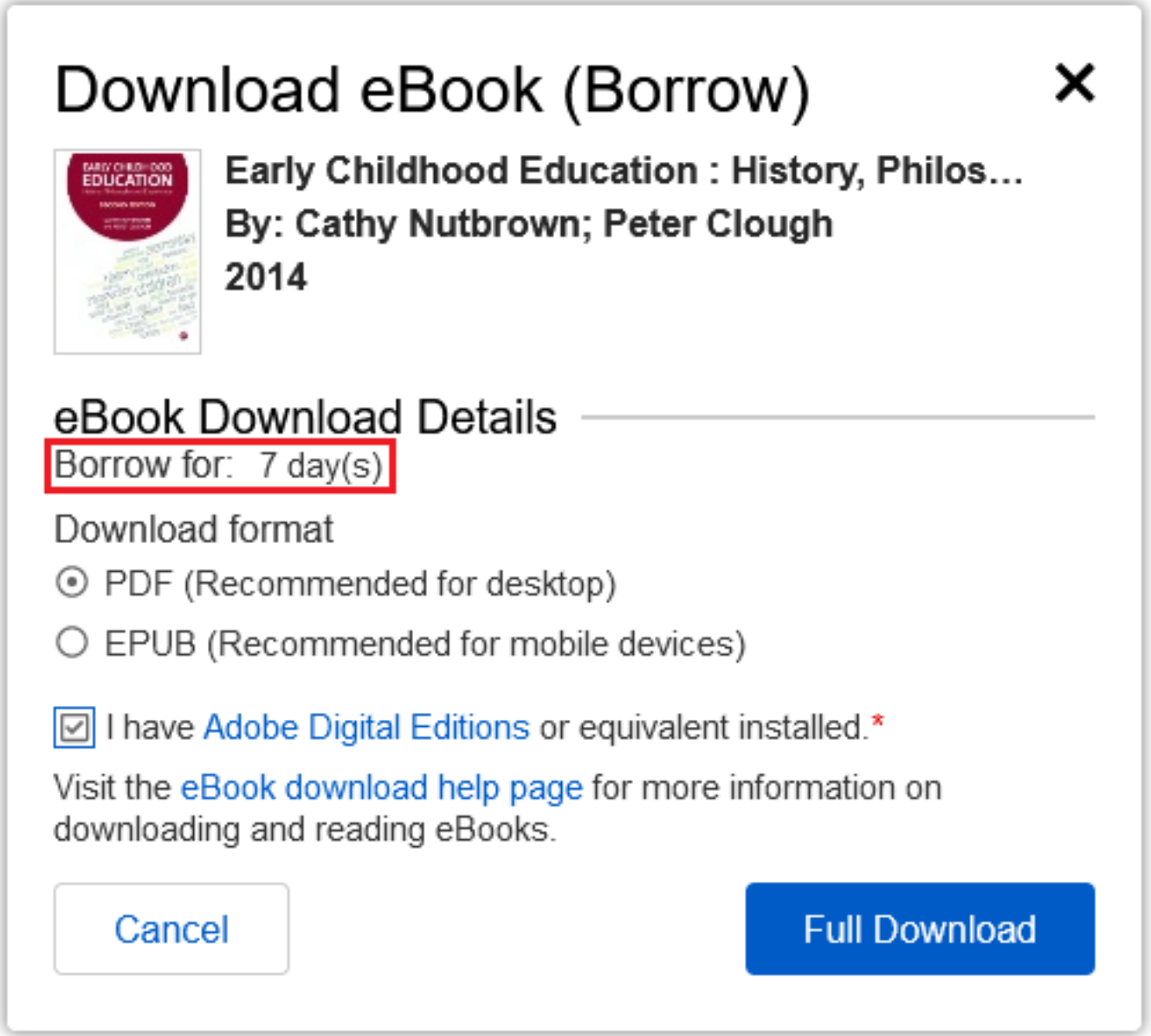

Search Methods

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- Finding resources using "Concept Map" – visual representation of concepts / ideas
- After performing a search → **"Search Concept Map"** under Research tools on left-hand pane

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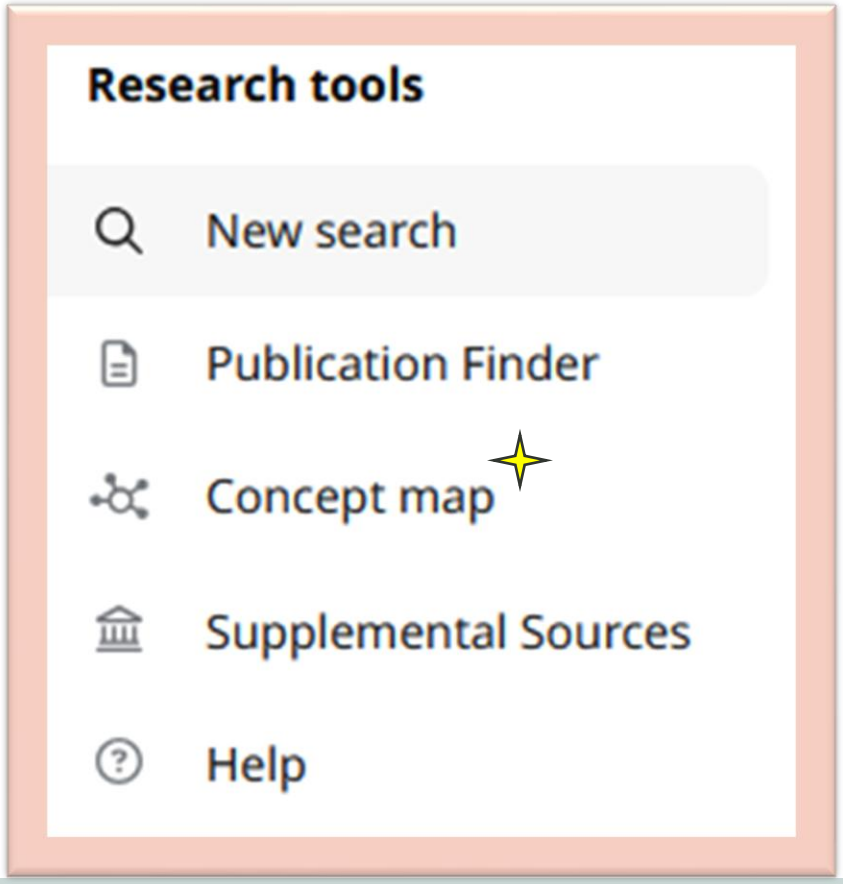

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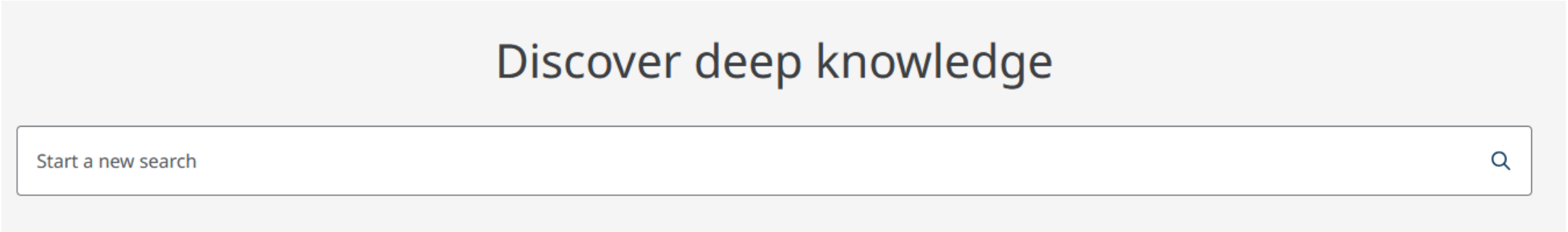

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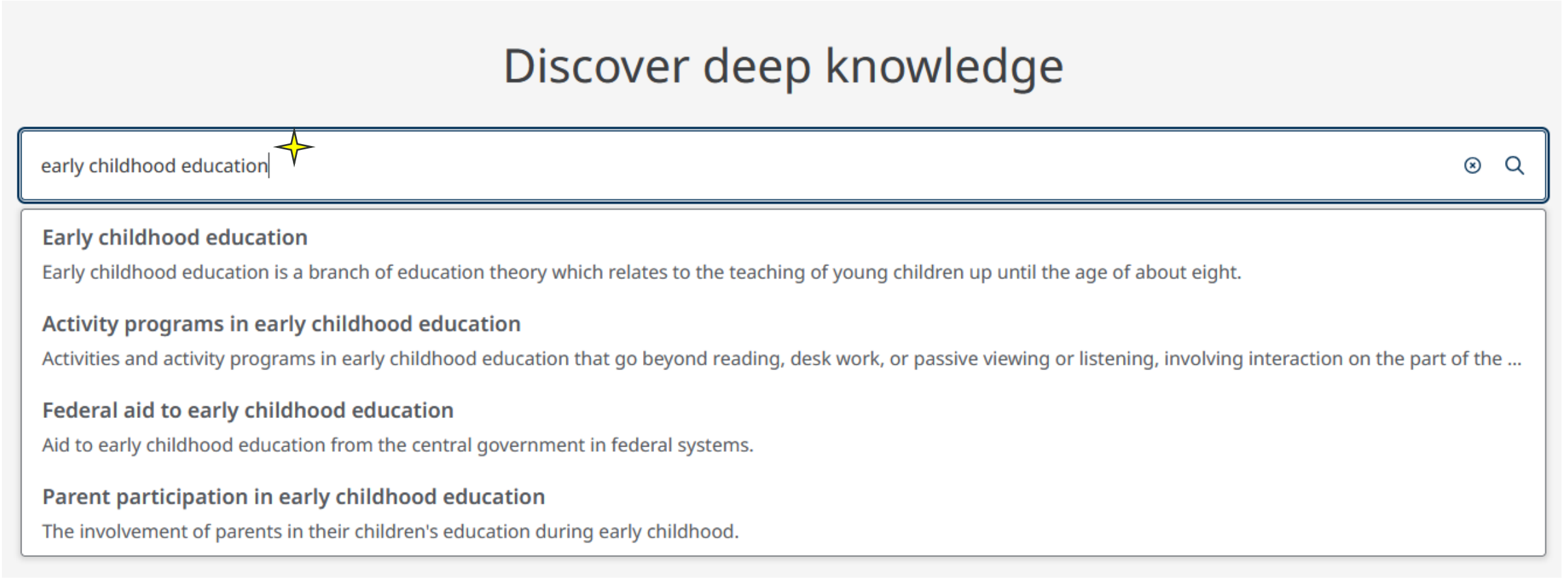

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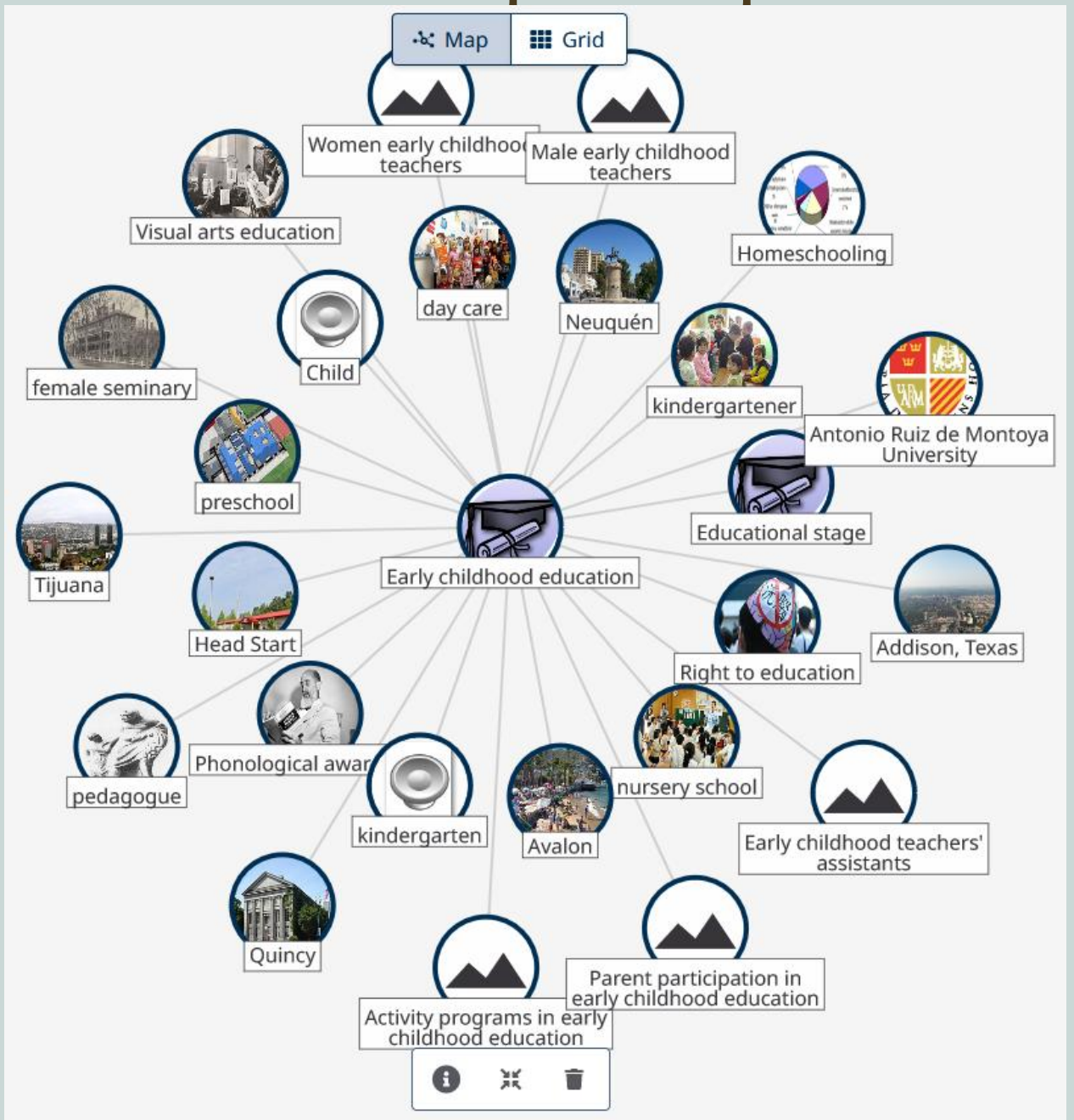
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Parent participation in early childhood education
Activity programs in early childhood education

Select the keyword you are interested in

"Add to search"

Dive deeper

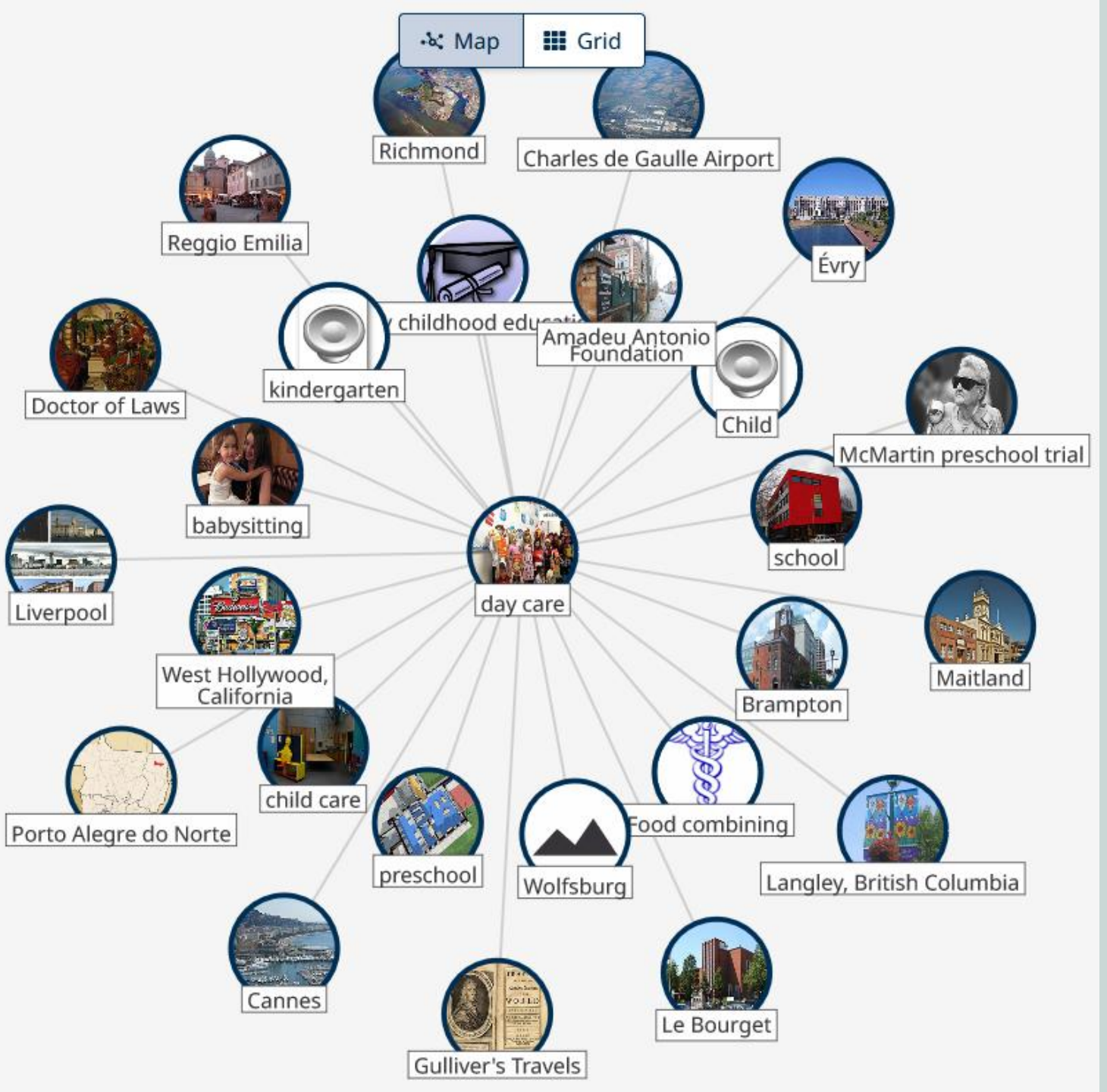
"Explore concept"

Brainstorming

Extend concept further to other relating concepts

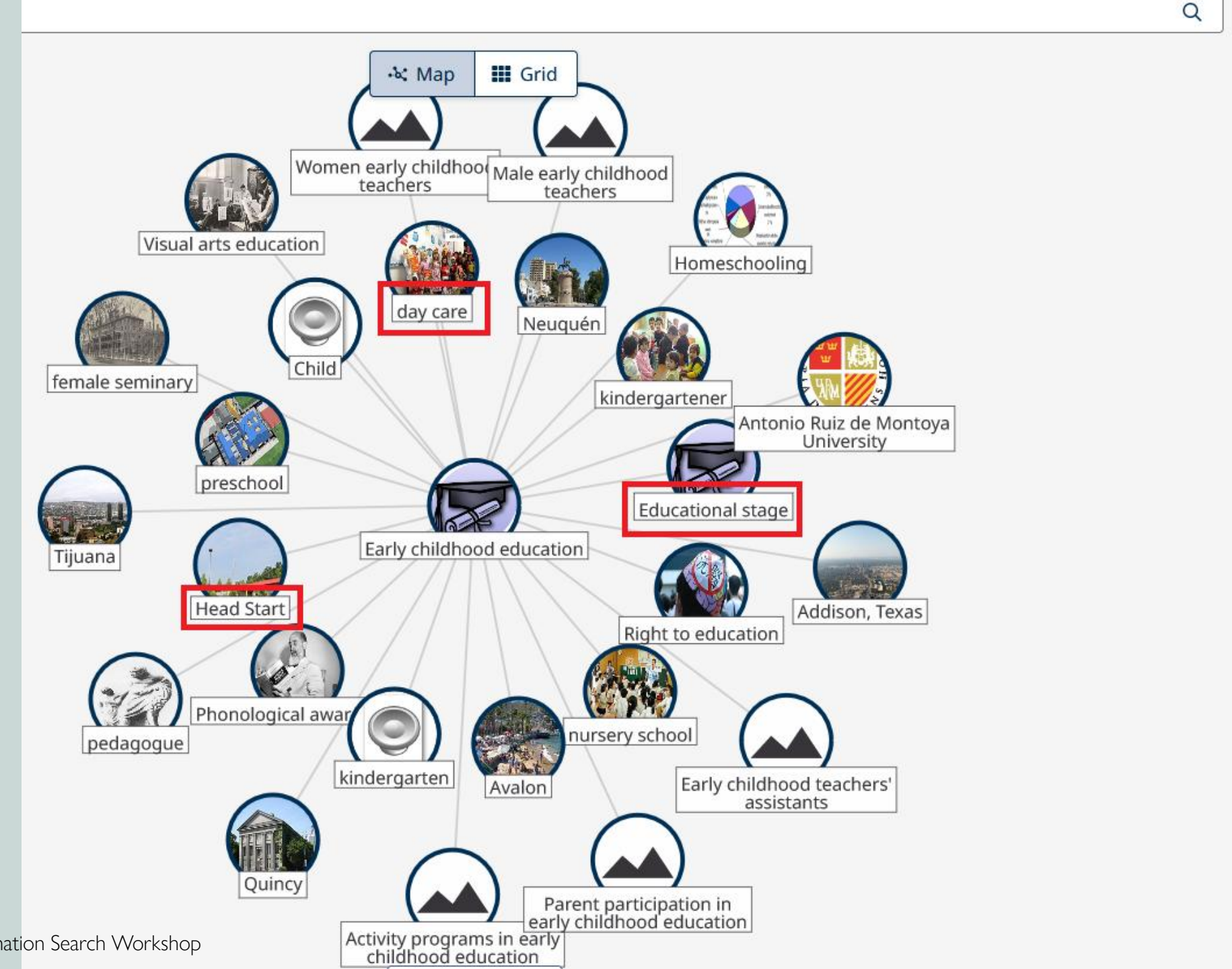
From “Day Care” →

- ❑ “Babysitting”
- ❑ “Child Care”
- ❑ “Preschool”
- ❑ “Kindergarten” …



Continue adding other keywords in your topic

"Add to search"



Search builder

Selected concepts

Educational stage AND

day care AND

Head Start

SEE FULL RESULTS

CONTENT PREVIEW

Add other keywords in your topic

"Add to search"

…. (continue the process)

Other Search Techniques

Booleans Search

- Relationships between terms
- Very broad / Very narrow searches
- *AND*: search result contains ALL of the terms. For example, travel and Europe finds articles that contain both travel and Europe.
- *Or*: search result contains at least one of the terms. For example, college or university finds results that contain either college or university.
- *Not*: excludes terms; search result does not contain any of the terms that follow it. For example, television not cable finds results that contain television but not cable.

And	**Or**	**Not**
Each result contains **all** search terms.	Each result contains **at least one** search term.	Results **do not contain** the specified terms.
The search *heart* **and** *lung* finds items that contain **both** *heart* and *lung*.	The search *heart* **or** *lung* finds items that contain **either** *heart* **or** items that contain *lung*.	The search *heart* **not** *lung* finds items that contain *heart* **but do not contain** *lung*.

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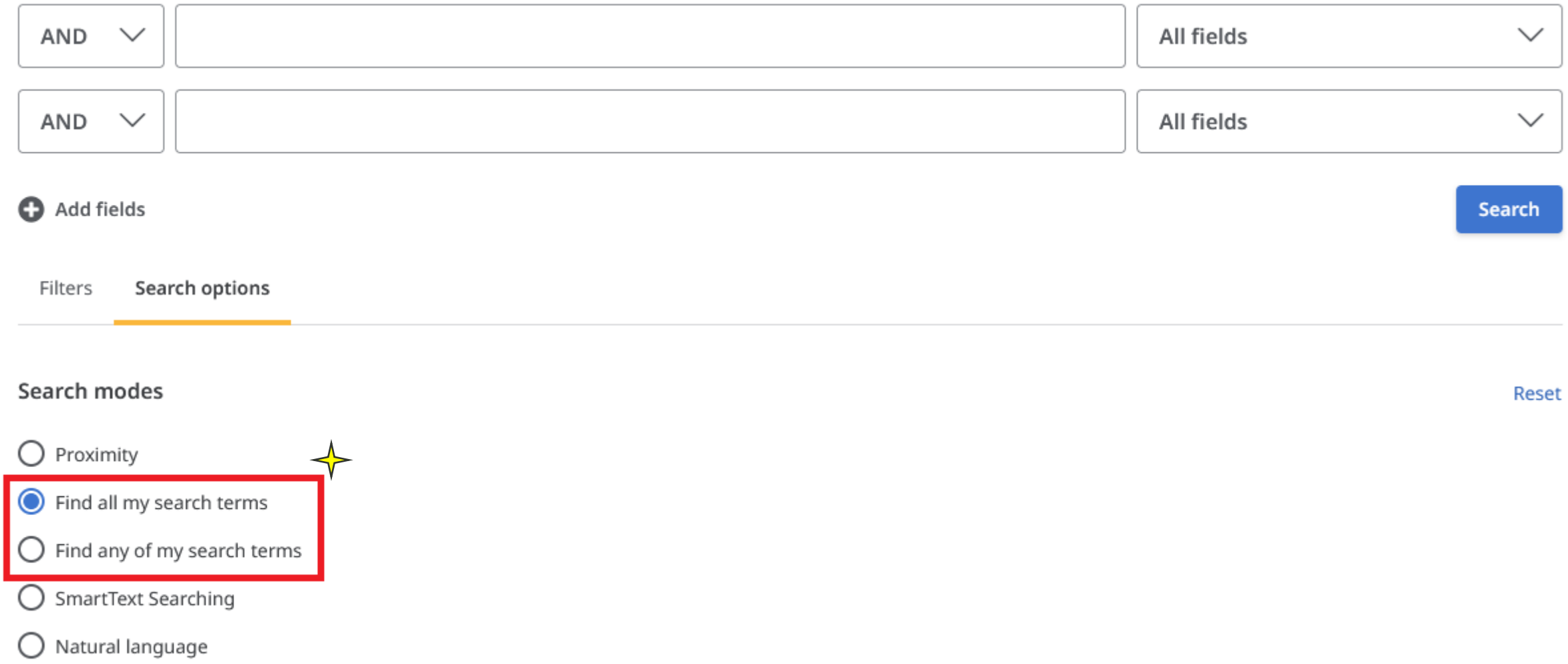

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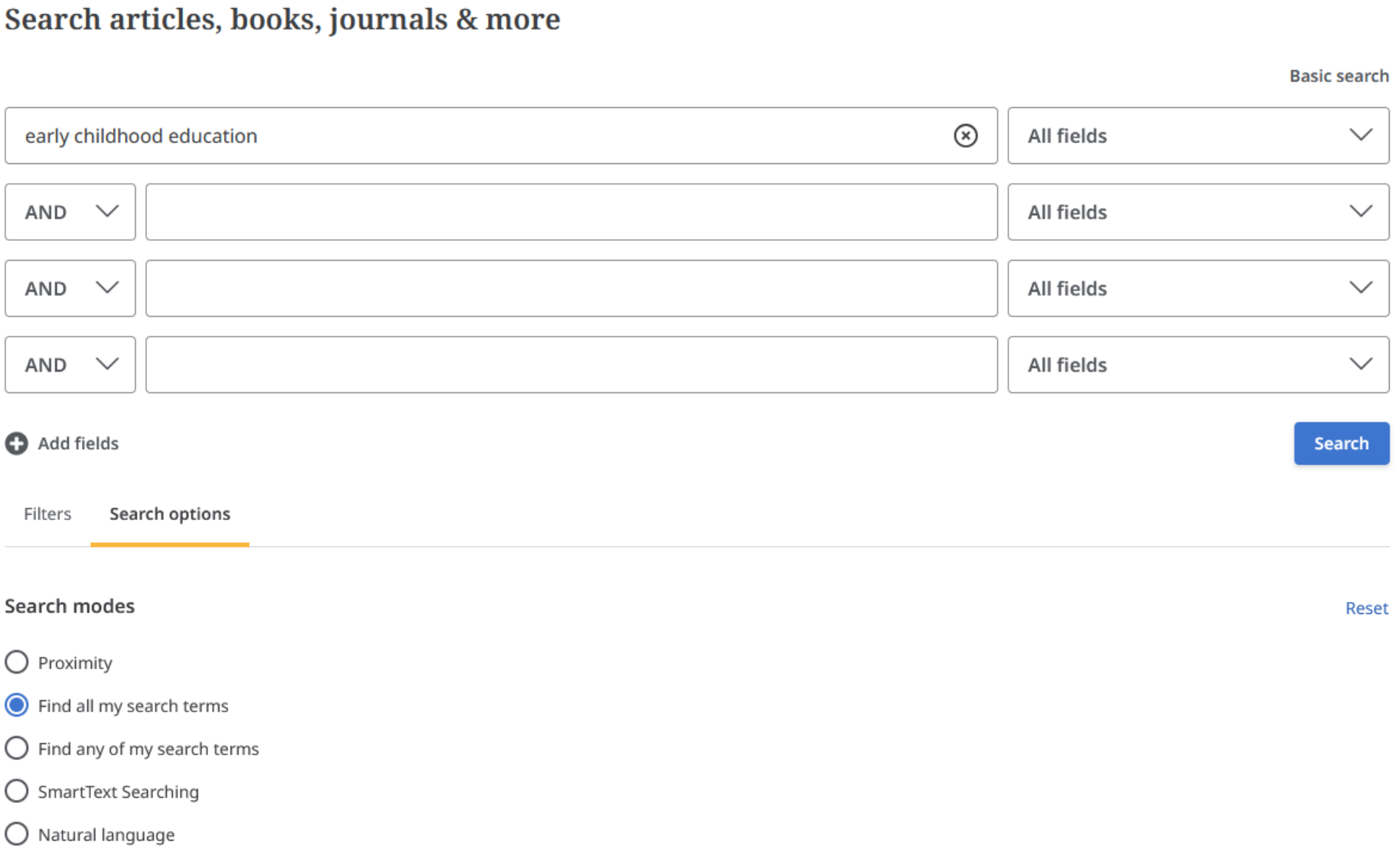

Wildcards & Truncation Symbols

- The asterisk (*) matches multiple characters.
- The hash sign (#) matches one optional character.
- The question mark (?) matches exactly one character.

Search Term	Example Matches
comput*	computer computers computing computation computations computational . . .
hea*one	headphone headstone healthone hearthstone heartstone heatherstone . . .
midsummer * dream	midsummer night's dream midsummer day's dream

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My assignment: an example

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“Discuss the INFLUENCE of the media on political election results”

- Impact
- Affect
- Persuasion

Q: “Discuss the influence of the media on political election results”

“Discuss the influence of the **MEDIA** on political election results”

- Television
- Social media
- Internet

Q: “Discuss the influence of the media on political election results”

“Discuss the influence of the media on POLITICAL ELECTION RESULTS”

- Polls
- Outcomes

Apply search techniques

HOW	SOURCE TYPE
Conceptual Map	Books / eBooks?
Booleans Search	Journal articles?
Wildcard & Truncated Search	Electronic Database?

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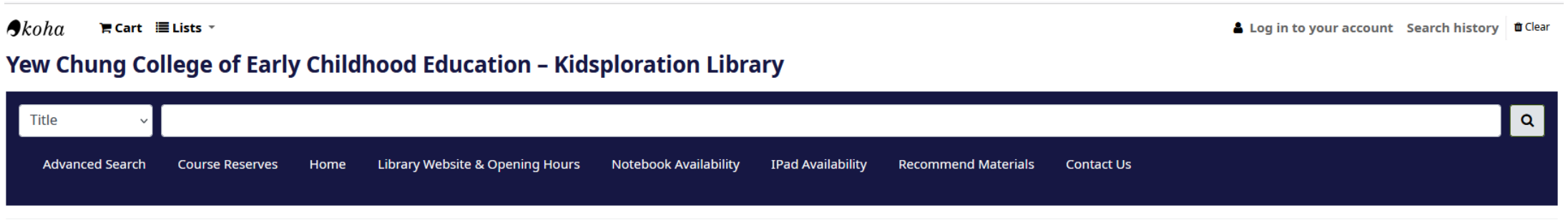

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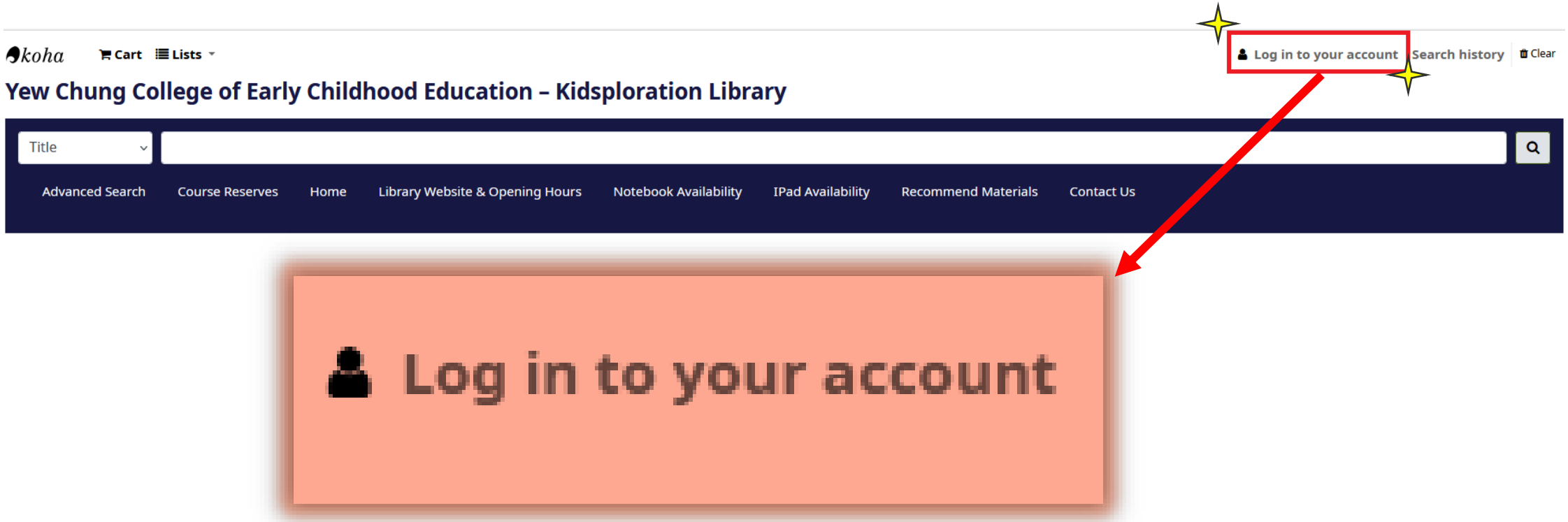

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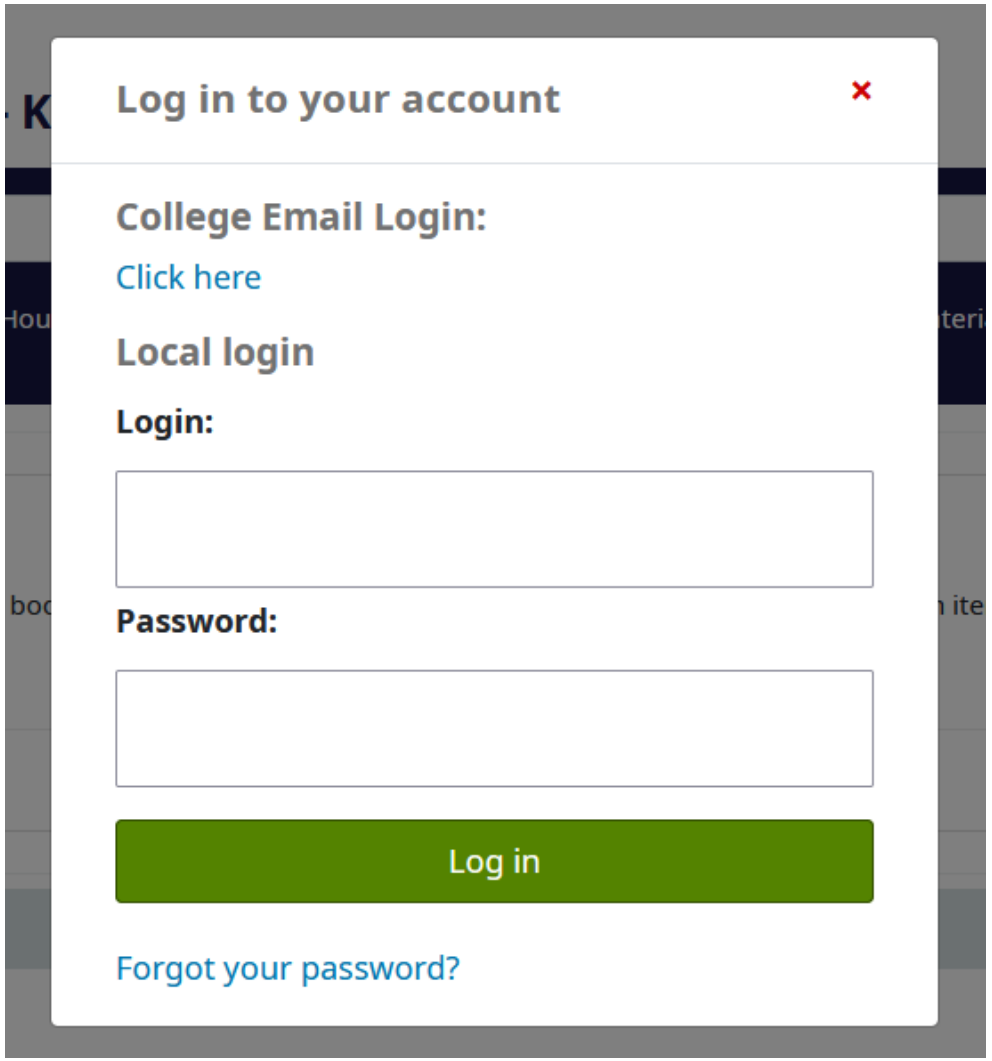

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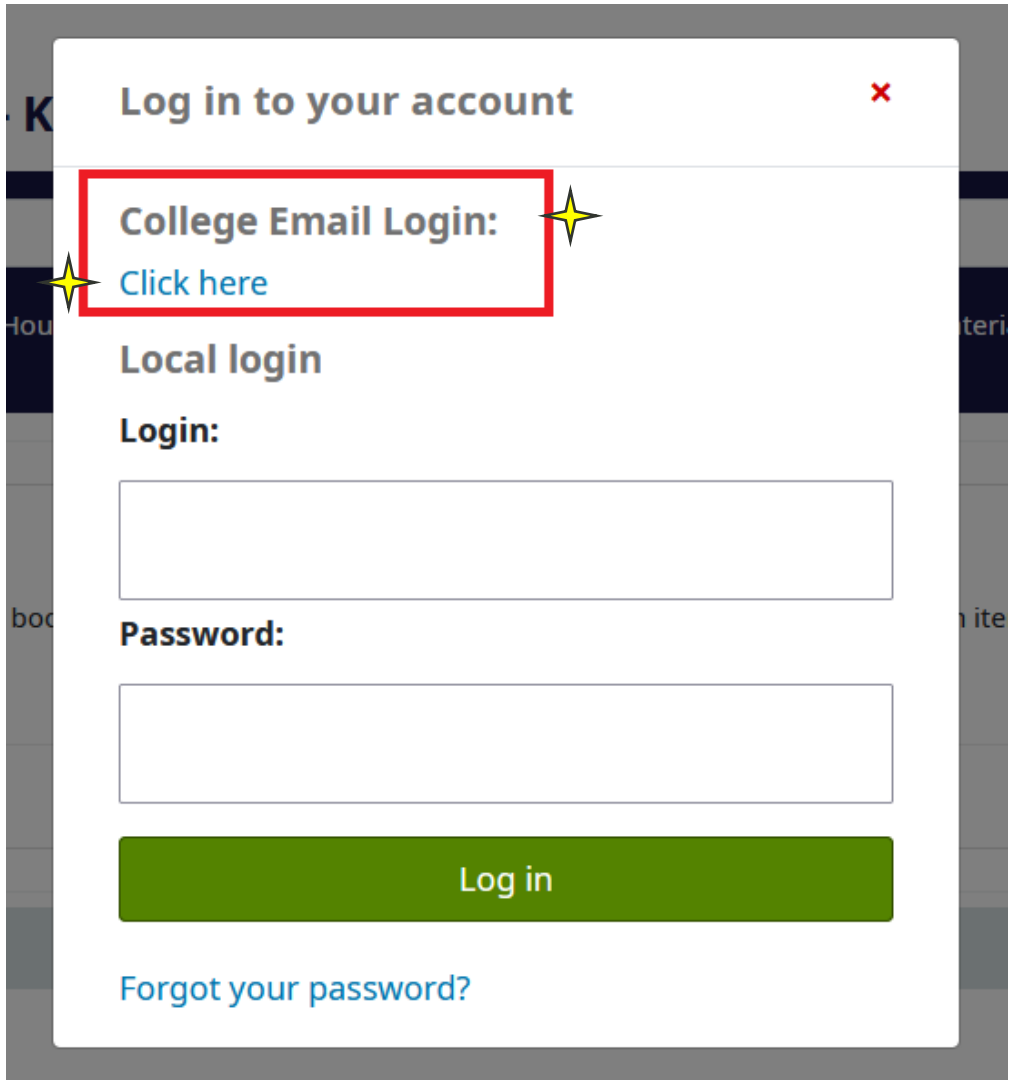

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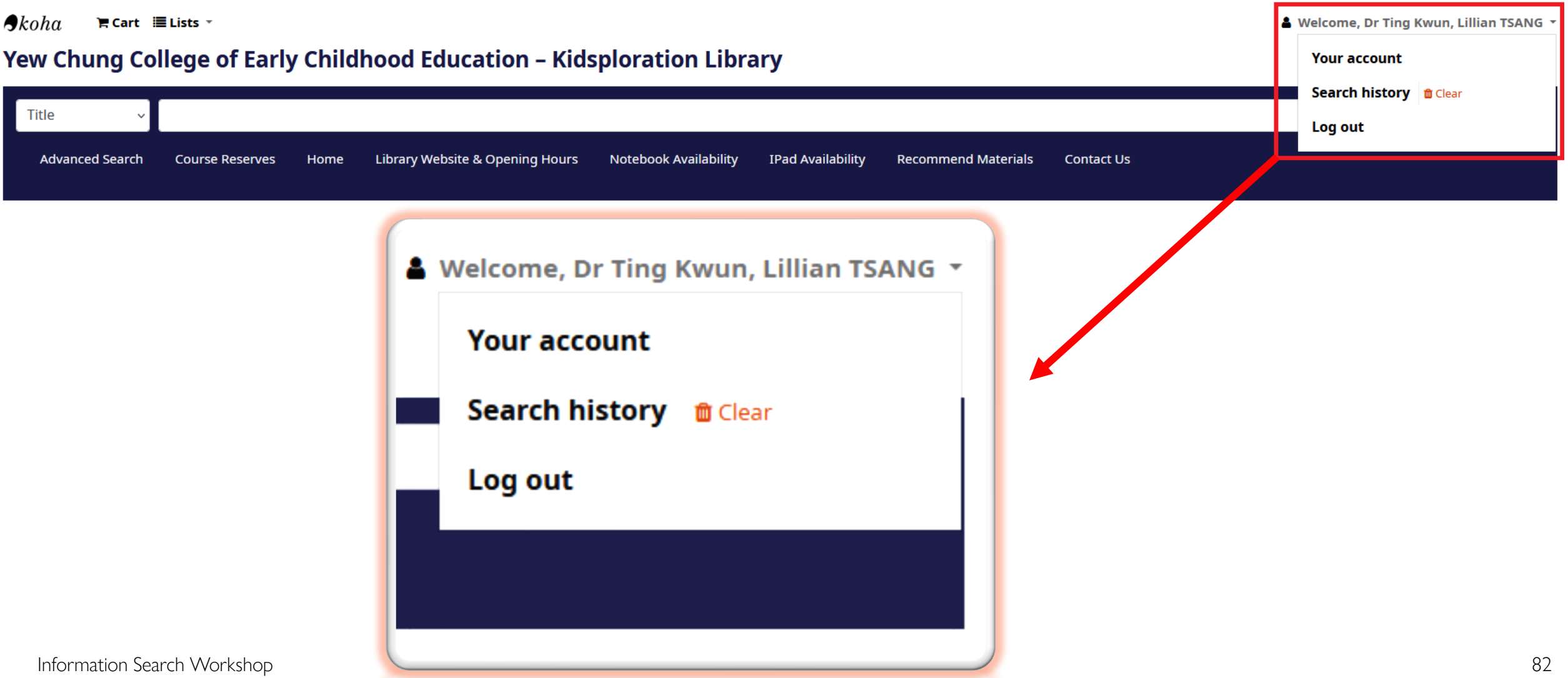

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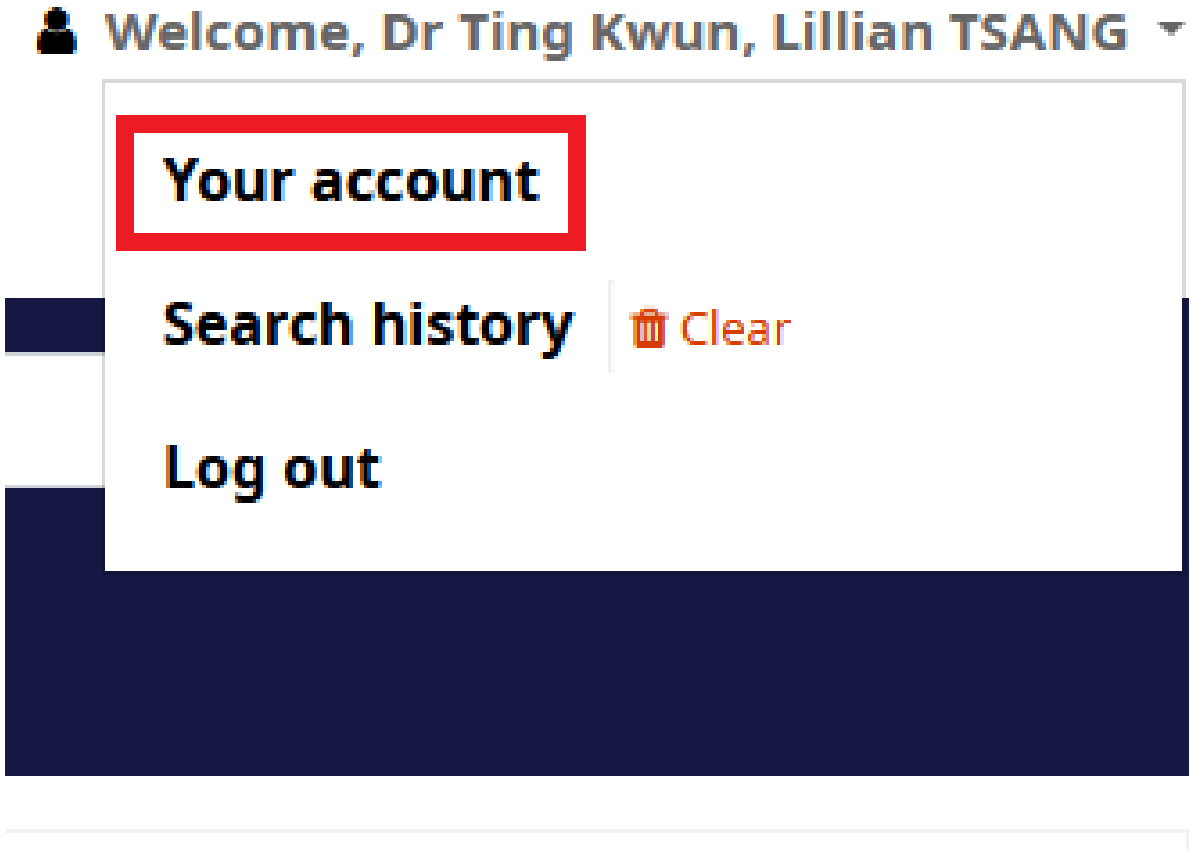

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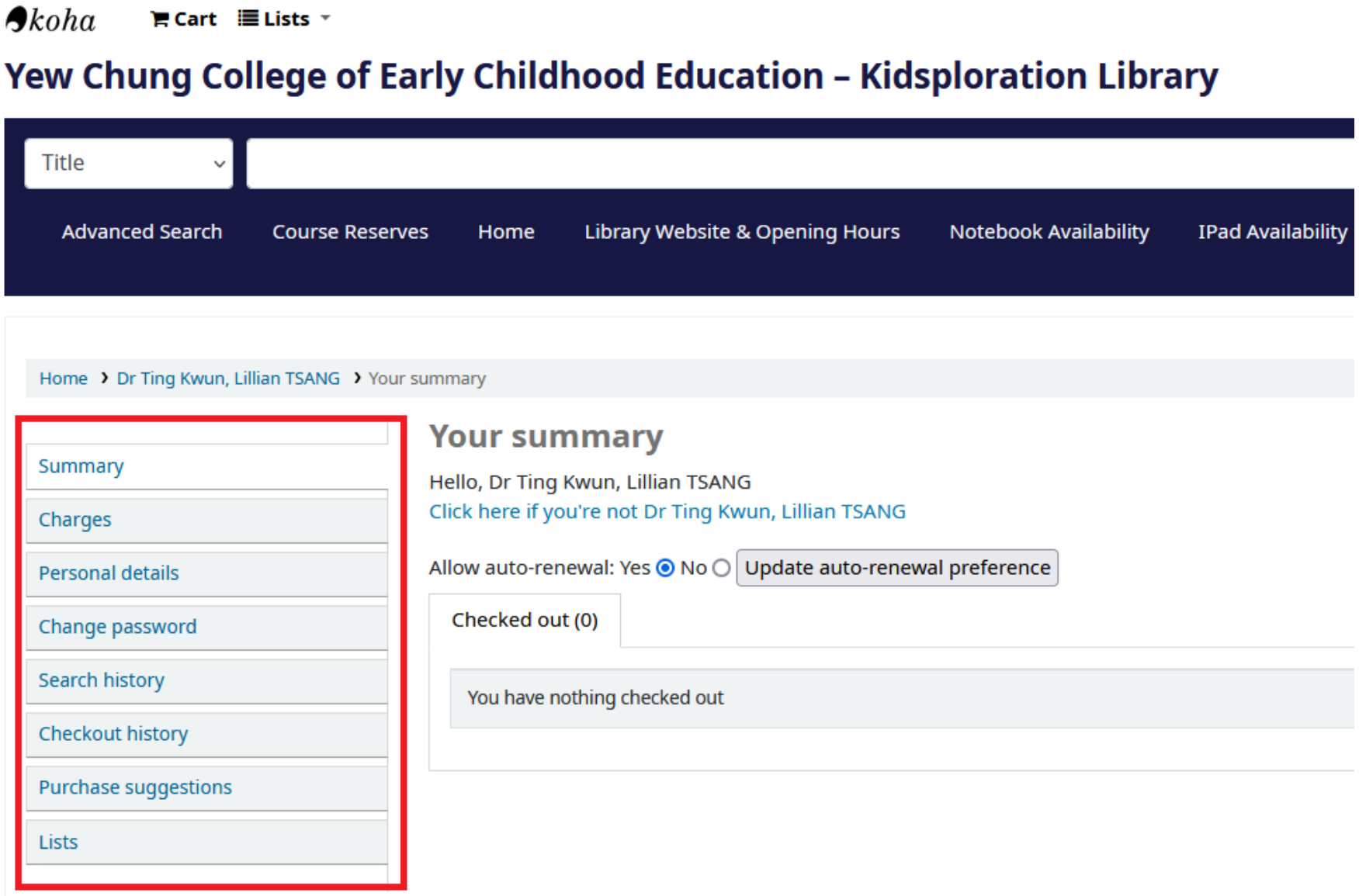

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