

Searching Lion

Quick Search

This allows you to do a keyword search in all the LION databases. It retrieves only those records that have all your terms. It searches the indexes, not the full text.



- Key
 - ◊ Full record = a bibliographic record for the entry
 - ◊ Full text = an html version of the text
 - ◊ Page image = a pdf version of the text
 - ◊ JSTOR = a link to the JSTOR article
 - ◊ Web site = a web site containing the search terms
 - ◊ ABELL = the record or text comes from the Annual Bibliography of English Language and Literature
 - ◊ MLAIB = the record or text come from the Modern Language Association International Bibliography
- Results
 - ◊ The results are listed under the various categories (Authors, Texts, etc.)
 - ◊ The first five results are listed in each category.
 - ◊ To see the rest of the results click “More results.”
 - ◊ To open a record click the highlighted link.
 - ◊ Under texts, (prose, poetry, dramas) if the file is very large (over 1Mb) you will be given the option of choosing from the table of contents rather than the complete work
 - ◊ Under Criticism and Reference, you can click either the icon or the highlighted title. If you want to see the pdf you must click the image icon. Clicking the title will give you the html format.
 - ◊ The results were retrieved from LION indexes. To find more results by searching full text, click “Go” at the bottom of the page.
- Saving searches or records
 - ◊ Create an archive profile by clicking “My Archive” and registering.
 - ◊ To save a search click “Add this search to my archive.”
 - ◊ To save records
 1. Select the record(s) to save.
 2. Click “Marked List.”
 3. Select the marked items from the lists displayed, one category at a time.
 4. Then you can email, print, download or save to the archive.
- Other things you can do in Quick Search
 - ◊ Can search by
 1. Keyword: *rural life hardy*
 2. Author: *thomas hardy*
 3. Title: *far from the madding crowd*
 4. Author and title: *hardy madding*
 5. Movement: *naturalism*
 6. Article title (by searching key words from the title): *desolation madding*
 - ◊ Use truncation using *: *fatal** for *fatal, fatalism, fatalistic, fatality*
 - ◊ Use phrase search using “ ”: “*all that glitters*”
 - ◊ No Boolean or proximity operators

Criticism and Reference

This search retrieves critical articles, entries in reference works and web pages.

- Decide first whether you want to search all categories or just criticism, just reference or just web sites.
- If you search All, results are divided into the 3 categories. (Criticism, Reference, Web sites). Click on the category you want displayed.
- Hits and Entries
 - ◊ The numbers of hits and entries are listed at the top of the results page under the various categories: Authors, Texts, Criticism & Reference, Multimedia
 - ◊ An entry is a complete record or a work, such as a novel or an article.
 - ◊ A hit is an occurrence of the keyword within the entry.
- If you choose Criticism, Reference or Web, you have the option of a more advanced search and can combine terms, and limit by date or publication type.
- Within Criticism, you can specify ABELL or MLAIB if you wish.
- Within Reference you can specify a specific reference work.
- Some search boxes have lists of terms to choose from if you wish.
- If you choose a term from the reference subject list, you are also given a list of related terms.
- Boolean operators: AND, OR, NOT (search terms in two different fields are automatically combined with AND.)

Authors

Each author page gives brief biographical data with links to a more complete biography, texts, a bibliography of the author's works, and other resources, or some combination thereof.

- Search by name, dates, gender, nationality, ethnicity, literary movement, and literary period.
- If there are texts or other resources in LION associated with the author, there will be links from the author page.
- You can request email alerts when new material on your author is added to LION.

Texts

This searches the available texts in poetry, prose, drama, literary works in journals, and web texts. You can search all genres together or each genre separately.

- Search by keyword, title or author.
- Within the text your search term is highlighted.
- You can jump to each occurrence of your search term within the text.
- There is a link to the author page for each text you retrieve.
- Note that there is a link to both the text and to the URL.
- Searching hints
 - ◊ Keyword searching defaults to exact phrase. Therefore *host daffodils* will not retrieve anything, but the phrase *host of golden daffodils* will.
 - ◊ Boolean operators: AND, OR, NOT: *host AND daffodils*
 - ◊ Proximity operators: NEAR: *host NEAR daffodils*
 - ◊ Wildcards and truncation:
 - wom** retrieves *woman, women, womb* and *wombat*
 - wom?n* retrieves *woman* and *women*
 - ◊ Variant spellings. "Whenever possible Literature Online features the first authorized edition of any given literary work and preserves the spelling and punctuation of the copy text."
Use truncation and wildcards to retrieve modern and old spellings: *v?rtue* retrieves *virtue* and *virtue*. You may also search the list of terms for various spellings.

- ◊ Typography: check the typographical variants box to retrieve different ways of printing a word: Julius Caesar, Iulius Caesar, Ivlivs Caesar
- ◊ Diatritics: choose from the list of terms.
- ◊ Advanced Search Options allows you to refine and limit search by

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| publication year | author's dates | nationality | ethnicity |
| literary movement | literary period | | |
- ◊ Advanced search within a genre allows you to limit your search to such things as publisher, dedications, stage directions, cast lists, etc. These limiters vary with the genre.

Indexes

Complete Contents

For texts this shows the breakdown by time period, nationality and genre. For criticism and reference there are links to the individual resources.

Full-Text Journals

This is an A-Z list of titles with publication information and dates available. You can search within a title or click on an issue to get all articles from that issue.

Author Index

You can browse by time period, nationality, ethnicity, gender, literary movement, or see a complete A-Z list.

Poets on Screen

This allows you to listen to audio clips of poetry being read by the author or other poets.

Reference Shelf

From the pull-down menu choose from four reference works to search. This is not available on the home page. Be aware that the *King James Bible* is the 1611 version with old spellings.

Information Centre

Consult this for a tutorial, site map, usage statistics, resources for teaching and citing, content, policy and contact information. Help pages are available on the main screen and under the site map. The main screen link is a brief overview. The site map help link gives more detailed information.

Individual Collections

Here you will find a list of all the collections that make up Literature Online. The list includes ABELL, MLA and a lot of full-text collections. It allows you to search each collection separately. This link is available only from the home page.