Searching Literature Databases with Keywords

Tips:
- Start with only two search terms at most. Examples:
  - a title and a keyword
  - an author name and keyword.
- If you have a lot of results, you can narrow down with a third search term.
- Keyword can be a character name or a term like setting, symbolism, point of view, etc.

Literature Resource Center

Use **Advanced Search** to search for keywords

- Eve—Keyword
- Milton—Person-By or About
- Paradise Lost—Name of Work

TIP: FOR MORE RESULTS, CHANGE "Keyword" to “Entire Document”

Literature Online Reference Edition

Use **Criticism Search**

- Keyword: Eve
- Keyword: Paradise Lost (as keywords in the name of Milton’s work)
- Subject: Milton (author you’re researching)

TIP: THE FOLLOWING SEARCH BOXES USUALLY DON’T HELP.

- Title keywords: keywords **in title of the article**
- Author: Will search for **an author of an article** by that name

MLA International Bibliography

Use **Advanced Search**

- Milton AND Paradise Lost AND Eve

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Use **Advanced Search**

- Milton AND Paradise Lost

To search for a third term/keyword, either click “Add a Field” or Search Within Results

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Use **Advanced Search (at top right of page)**

- Milton AND Paradise Lost