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Reference – Indexes Assignment

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Reference Source Assignment I: Indexes

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1. A couple of years ago I read an article about using paraprofessionals on the reference desk by someone named Genz. Can you help me find the full citation? While you're at it, can you tell me if it's available in full-text through SJSU?

ANSWER

Genz, Marcella D. (Winter 1998). Working the Reference Desk. *Library Trends*, 46(3), 505-521.

The full text is available through Infotrac which can be accessed through the SJSU King Library website (free to students and staff of the university). If accessed through any other public library website, one will most likely need to be registered with a library in order to access the article for free.

SOURCE

Expanded Academic ASAP Plus. (2005). Retrieved March 20, 2005, from Web site:

http://libaccess.sjsu.edu:2054/itw/infomark/956/744/64677681w4/purl=rc11_EAIM_0_au_genz_AND_ke_paraprofessional_AND_ke&dyn=13!atrs_P13?sw_aep=csusanjose_main1

PROCESS: The textbook identified several resources for this type of search. I chose Expanded Academic ASAP Plus (formerly Infotrac) because it is easy to use, searches can be narrowed to specific parameters, and it usually produces concise citations. I accessed the website through the San Jose Public Library/King Library website to avoid paying a fee. I searched for Genz as an Author and the Keyword Paraprofessional.

3. Where can I find a scholarly review of the book Managers of Virtue? I need at least 2 reviews published in peer-reviewed journals.

ANSWER

Astuto, T.A. (March, 1987). Review of the book: *Managers of Virtue*. *Administrative Science Quarterly*, 32, 138-139.

Hampel, R.L. (February 1984). Review of the book: *Managers of Virtue*. *American Journal of Education*, 92, 221-223.

SOURCE

Wilson Web. (2005). OmniFile Full Text Mega. Retrieved March 19, 2005, from Web site: http://libaccess.sjsu.edu:2067/hww/shared/shared_main.jhtml;jsessionid=EBLJHGQE5MGFPQ A3DINCFGOADUNGIIV0? requestid=149075

PROCESS: First I tried the Book Review Digest index but was quickly put off since one cannot gain immediate free access without having to fill out a lengthy form. I then decided to utilize Book Review Index since it allows for free trial access to the database.

Once in it, I performed a Title search for Managers of Virtue which resulted in 10 citations. However, there was no indication on any of them that they were peer reviewed. I turned then to Wilson Web OmniFile which comprises six full-text databases covering subjects such as humanities, science and education.

Naturally, I accessed this website through the SJPL/King Library online system. Once in it, I performed a search for Managers of Virtue as Title and specified that I needed only peer reviewed articles. The search resulted in 6 citations complete with the full text.

4. What is the preferred search term in PsycINFO for manic depression? In what year was this term introduced into the database? How many peer-reviewed articles on this topic have been indexed with publication dates between 2002 – 2004?

ANSWER

Manic-Depressive is the preferred search term in PsycINFO and it was introduced in 1902 into the database. There are 259 indexed peer-reviewed articles on this topic between 2002 and 2004.

SOURCE

PsycINFO. (1997). Retrieved March 21, 2005, from Web site:

<http://libaccess.sjsu.edu:2071/webspirs/start.ws?customer=calstate&databases=PSYI,PY>

PROCESS: From the SJSU/King Library website selected Articles & Databases in Psychology (must access through the library to gain free access). Then, I selected the PsycINFO database.

Once in it, performed a general index search for manic AND depression under Index to determine related terms and number of records available. As the majority of results are listed under manic depressive, it seems like this is the preferred database search term for this subject.

With results sorted by publication year, I went to the first entry to determine the first year the term was introduced into the database. Then conducted an Advanced Search with the specific Search Limits (Terms manic AND depressive, Publication Year 2002-04, Document Type: Peer-Reviewed) to determine the answer to the last question.

5. I'm looking for the poem, "We Real Cool". Can you tell me who wrote it, and point me to an anthology of poetry that includes it?

ANSWER

Gwendolyn Brooks, a prolific African American poet, wrote it in 1959. The title is '*We Real Cool. The Pool Players. Seven at the Golden Shovel.*'

It can be found in several anthologies. Here are 2:

Harper Anthology of Poetry

Brooks, G. (1981). *We Real Cool. The Pool Players. Seven at the Golden Shovel.* In J. F. Nims (Ed.), *Harper Anthology of Poetry* (p. 685). New York, NY: Harper & Row.

Anthology of Modern American Poetry

Brooks, G. (2000). *We Real Cool. The Pool Players. Seven at the Golden Shovel.* In N. Cary (Ed.), *Anthology of Modern American Poetry* (p. 772). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

SOURCE

Thomson Gale. (2005). LitFinder. Retrieved 19 March, 2005 from LitFinder website:

<http://0-www.litfinder.com.mill1.sjlibrary.org/search/worx.asp?R=77779646&act=A70&rothST=we%20real%20cool|brooks>

PROCESS: The textbook identified LitFinder (Poem Finder) as a valuable index in locating information on poems so I started by accessing it online. I did so online through the SJPL?King Library system to obtain free access. Once in the website, I searched for We Real Cool.

6. I am worried about the honey bee. I have heard that they are in danger of extinction because of a tracheal mite. Can you find me a couple of articles on the subject – one from a scholarly journal, and one from a scientific magazine or newspaper?

ANSWER

Scholarly Journal

Doebler, Stefanie A. (September 2000). The Rise and Fall of the Honeybee. *BioScience*, 50(9), 738–742.

Scientific Magazine

Cowen, Ron. (1991, January 5). Fighting the Mite: May the Best Bee Win. *Science News*, 131(1), 5.

SOURCES

Expanded Academic ASAP Plus. (2005). Retrieved Mar. 20, 2005, from Web site:

http://libaccess.sjsu.edu:2055/itw/infomark/354/199/62867358w6/purl=rc6_EAIM&dyn=8!etrs_P3?sw_aep=csusanjose_main1

PROCESS: The textbook identified several resources for this type of search. Initially, I performed a search in the Periodicals Contents Index's website <http://pci.chadwyck.com> thinking to cast a big net over all types of periodicals. Not much luck as one needs to request a free trial service which approval process seems to be lengthy.

Then I decided to utilize Expanded Academic ASAP Plus index (formerly Infotrac) since it lists over 3,000 periodicals including journals, news and magazines. Once again I accessed it from the SJPL/King Library. A simple searched specifying Subject terms: bee AND mite yielded 77 results. I listed 2 that were relevant to the user's bee eradication concern.

7. Last year, we celebrated 100 years of home economics education at Washington State University. A student assistant comes over from the Dean's office looking for an article that the Dean wants to cite in a speech. The article is called "How intelligent is the girl who elects home economics?" and she thinks it was published in the 1920s or 1930s. Can you provide her with a complete citation?

ANSWER

Engle, Edna M. (March 1929). How Intelligent is the Girl who Elects Home Economics? *Journal of Home Economics*, 21(3), 171-172. Retrieved March 18, 2005 from the HEARTH Web site: http://hearth.library.cornell.edu/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=hearth;idno=4732504_21_003;node=4732504_21_003%3A1.3

SOURCE

HEARTH. Home Economics Archive: Research, Tradition, and History. (January 2005). Cornell University. Retrieved March 21 from http://hearth.library.cornell.edu/cgi/t/text/pageviewer-idx?c=hearth;cc=hearth;sid=c487f2f03d8ca895dc7a6ddfaee44394;q1=how%20intelligent%20is%20the%20girl;rgn=full%20text;idno=4732504_21_003;view=image;seq=0013

PROCESS: It took a lot of trial and error to get this citation. I checked several of the resources offered in the textbook: Wilson Web, OmniFile, Infotrac, Ulrich's Periodical Databases, Lexis/Nexis, and even the library catalogs for SJSU and San Mateo County libraries. No luck!

Then I decided to search the terms Home Economics in the Librarian's Index to the Internet at www.lii.org. The first search result pointed me to HEARTH (Home Economics Archive: Research, Tradition, and History), a database from Cornell University containing a wealth of information published between 1920 and 1950 on the subject. It contains full text, descriptions, images, bibliographies and essays! A search for the complete title of the article quickly yielded the desired citation and full text article.

8. A student is looking for the story, "Fermat's Best Theorem," by Janet Kagan. Can you help her find out where the story was published, and if it is available in the San Jose library system?

ANSWER

The story was published in Absolute Magnitude's science fiction magazine anthology of 16 stories.

Kagan, Janet. (May 1997). *Fermat's Best Theorem*. In W. Lapine & S. Pagel (Eds.), *Absolute Magnitude* (p. 685). New York, NY: Tor.

The book is not currently available from the San Jose Public Library or King Library. However a request for it can be placed and if the book is available at any of the libraries partners, it will be sent to the library and held for you.

SOURCE

SciFinder Scholar.

<http://mill1.sjlibrary.org/search/?searchtype=m&searcharg=YA+808.83+S+Absolute++++>

PROCESS: First I searched in LitFinder since we are looking for a story. I had no luck. Then I decided to check SciFinder Scholar figuring that because of the word theorem in the title, the work could deal with science. I accessed this index through the SJSU/King Library website. I searched for the title of the story.