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## PSYCHOLOGY 11 LIBRARY RESOURCES DISCOVERY ASSIGNMENT

Both at CCSF and at other colleges or universities you may attend, learning what the library offers is important for your academic success. The types of information resources and library services you are asked to discover below are typical of college libraries. Consult with a reference librarian if you have questions, as they are one of the information resources available to you. If you cannot visit the Rosenberg Library, consider taking this virtual tour:

<http://www.ccsf.cc.ca.us/Library/tour/tour.html>

This assignment introduces you to two of the major online research tools: CityCat, the online catalog and periodical databases. Links to these are located at: <http://www.ccsf.org/Library/>

You can also learn more about how to effectively use the online resources by attending a free, 50-minute, research skills workshop. Schedule of workshops:

<http://www.ccsf.edu/Library/instruct/WorkshopsF05.htm>

### 1. What's City Cat? Discovering what the Library Online Catalog Offers

CityCat is the CCSF's online catalog of library materials available at **all** the City College campus libraries and even the Media Center. Access it by:

Going to a computer in one of the CCSF campus libraries or a campus computer lab. If prompted, enter the barcode number printed on your CCSF ID card. OR

Go to the Library's homepage <http://www.ccsf.edu/Library> and click on "Find Books"

a. Do a Title search for the book **When Nietzsche Wept**.

At which CCSF campus library is this book available for checkout? (Note: Circulating means the book can be checked out for 2 weeks and renewed by phone or online.)

Notice the **Subjects** that this book is about? Which **Subject** link would lead you to other fiction about psychologists? \_\_\_\_\_

b. In addition to searching by the title of a book or video, list below three ways to search by Subject/topic:

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c. If you have a particular theorist you want to find books ABOUT, such as Carl Jung or Karen Horney, which search option is best to use? \_\_\_\_\_

d. Try doing a Subject search for **Carl Jung** ? Do you notice the Subject **Jungian psychology** ?

e. Do another **Subject** search, using the subject **personality** . Browse through these three screens of various Subjects relating to "personality." Do you see a subject about personality theory or theorists?

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f. Since you want to limit to **theories and theorists**, click on the button **Limit/Sort Search** and type **theor\*** in the box labeled "Words in the Title"

Click on "Submit." (Note: Using the \* allows you to search for the words theory, theories, theorists. This is called truncation or word-stemming and is used in most search engines on the Web.)

How many titles do you find? \_\_\_\_\_

Select the title "B.F. Skinner: The Man and His Ideas " Who is the author?

Notice the other Subject links. What is another Subject that this book is about?

g. Now click on "**Start Over**." To increase the results and do the broadest subject search possible, select **Keyword**. Type in the box **personality**

How many titles do you find? \_\_\_\_\_

h. To limit these titles to only those with the words theory, theorists, or theories in the title, select **Limit/Sort Search** and type **theor\*** in the second box, making sure you select **Title** from the drop-down menu.

Now how many do you find? \_\_\_\_\_

i. Now, you want to see if any of these titles are recorded lectures on cassette or CD. Select **Limit/Sort Search** again and in the box after **Limit To**, choose **Sound Recordings (all locations)**.

Who are the three psychologists whose theories are discussed?

Where in the Rosenberg Library would you go to obtain this cassette? \_\_\_\_\_

j. Now, you will search for feature films. Click on **Start Over**.

If you know the title, of course you would do a title search, but you can also browse by selecting the **Subject** search option and type in **feature films**. Select any video/film of your choice. Where would you go to obtain it?

## 2. Using Online Periodical Databases

While you are still at the computer, return to the Library home page and click on the link "**Find Articles:Databases**." If you are at home, the address is: <http://www.ccsf.edu/Library/period.htm> To access these private databases, you need to type the **barcode number** on your CCSF ID card. This serves as the password.

Notice the list of periodical and reference databases. Click on **Info Trac** until you get to the page that describes the **InfoTrac periodical databases**. Both the first one listed, **Expanded Academic ASAP** and the **OneFile Plus**, would be useful for your Psychology assignments. They both contain citations, abstracts and often the complete **text** of articles for many magazine and journals published back to 1980.

Click on **Expanded Academic ASAP** database and type in the search box the subject **personality**.

a. Click on "**See also Related Subjects**." Notice the many related subjects.

Go Back one screen to the Subject **personality**. Click on "**Narrow by subdivision**." These sub-topics help you narrow to various aspects of the broader topic. Click on the sub-division **models**. Browse one screen and notice the following: some citations have the word **text**; some have **abstract** and a few have only the **citation**. When you see the word **text** you have the complete article, which you can email to yourself or print.

Click on one of the titles that only has an **abstract**. What is an abstract?

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b. Another way to search is to do a **Keyword** search. Click on the word **Search** on the blue, left side of the screen. (You may have to go back a screen or two to find this.)

Select **Keyword search** and type in the box **personality theor\*** To limit your search to only full-text articles, check the box "**to articles with text**."

How many articles do you find? \_\_\_\_\_

Notice that there are also book reviews published in journals, as well as articles from a variety of journals.

Select the title that begins "**Journey into Nothingness: structure of the mental entity--Shlomo Giora Shoham's personality theory**"

Who is the author? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the name of the journal? \_\_\_\_\_

c. Using the same database, do a search on a topic or theorist of interest to you. Select either the Subject Guide or Keyword search option.

Did you do Subject Guide or Keyword search ? (Circle which one)

What did you type in the search box? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the **title of one** of the articles of interest to you?

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**Please turn this into your instructor for credit.**