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Information Search Skills **BIO1022**

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LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this workshop, you will be able to:

- build and define your topic
- identify relevant sources of information
- search and retrieve print and online resources
- evaluate sources



RESEARCH VERSUS SEARCH

| Basis of Comparison | Research | Search |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Expertise | Qualified researchers | No qualification |
| Goal | Uncover new information Add knowledge Identify facts | Find something |
| Duration | Long | Often short |
| Process | Has steps and stages | No layout |
| Regulation | Monitored and regulated | Not monitored or regulated |
| Inter-dependence | Dependent on search results | Not dependent DB Difference Between.net |

From: http://www.differencebetween.net/language/difference-between-search-and-research/

YOUR ASSIGNMENT TOPIC



DEVELOPING AN ASSIGNMENT TOPIC

As a student, you may be given a task to write an academic essay.

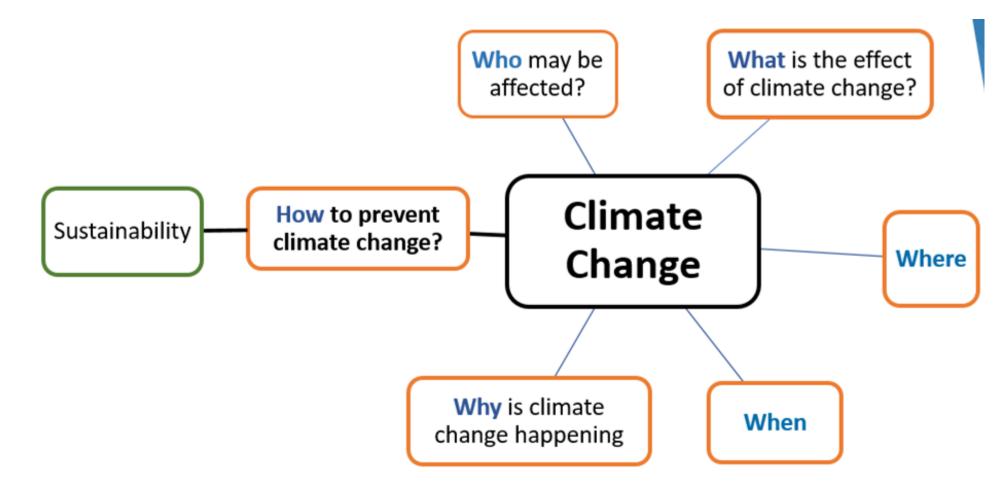
You will either be

- provided with a broad topic or
- provided with a specific topic and question

To begin, conduct a preliminary search to understand the topic

5W1H Technique

Using 5W1H to brainstorm an assignment topic



BUILDING YOUR ASSIGNMENT TOPIC

NARROWING DOWN

- Major Idea: Climate Change
 - How to prevent climate change?
 - Narrowed: Sustainable development
 - Narrowed: Southeast Asia

FINAL ASSIGNMENT TOPIC:

Climate change: Sustainable development in Southeast Asia

IDENTIFY KEYWORDS



RESOURCE SEARCH STRATEGIES

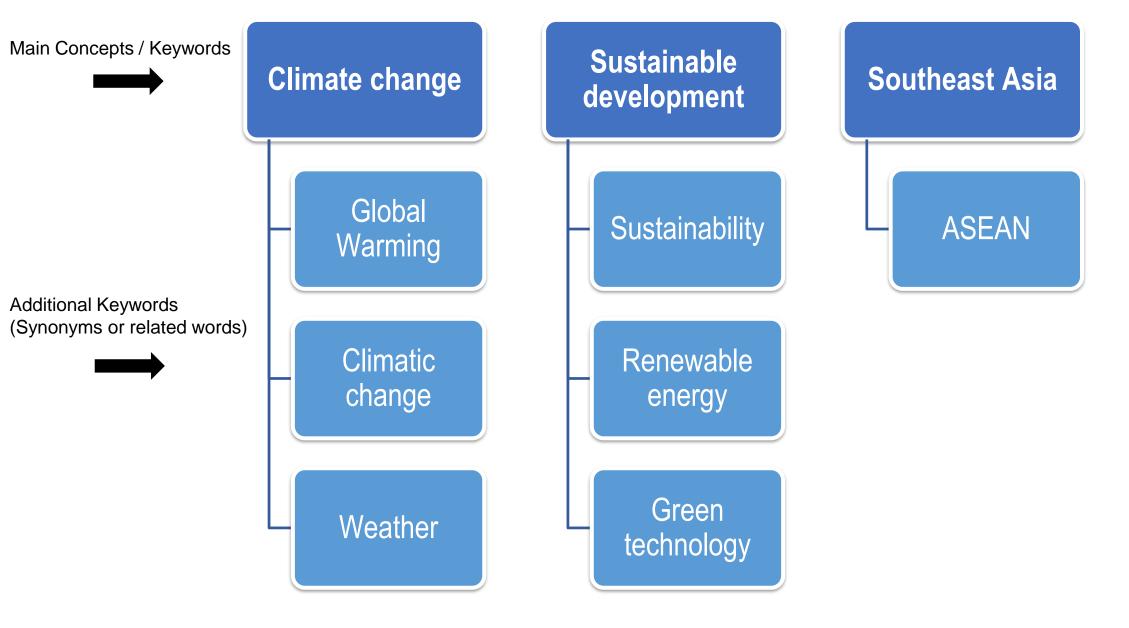
Library Search & databases

- Do not understand your research topics / questions
- They understand keywords

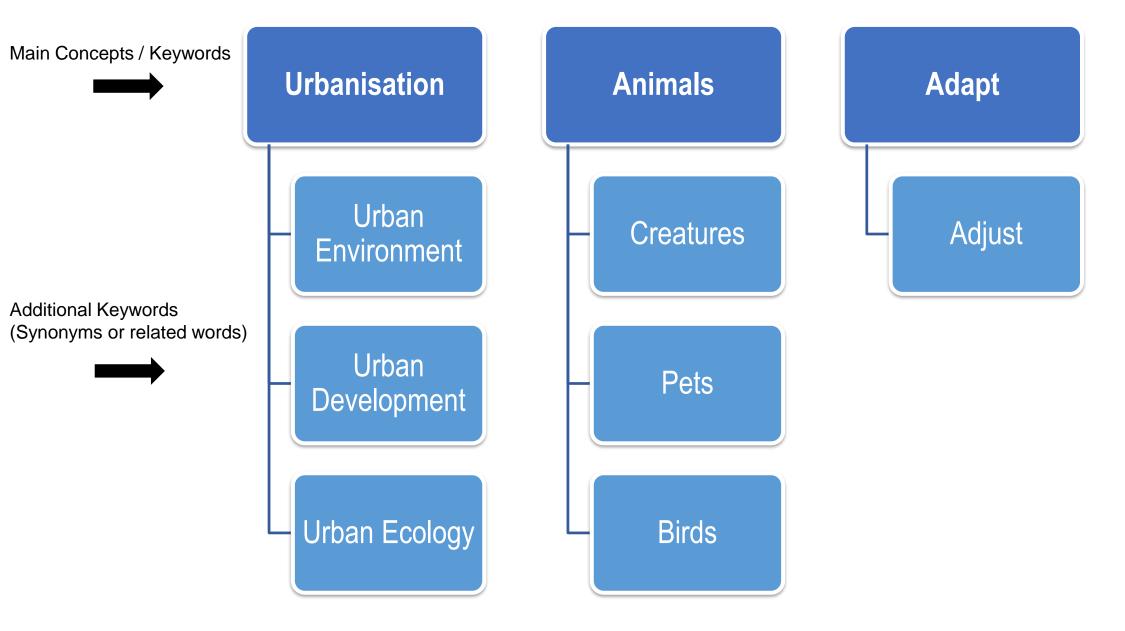
Start your project by finding

- Key concepts in your research topic
- Related concepts and alternative terms
- Visuwords.com
- Roget's International Thesaurus of English Words and Phrases at http://www.bartleby.com/110/
 - Monash University Library > Library Guides > Information Kiosk > Thesaurus

Climate change: Sustainable development in Southeast Asia



Urbanisation: How Animals Adapt to Urban Environment



ACADEMIC RESOURCES



DIFFERENT TYPES OF ACADEMIC RESOURCES

Books

- Print Books
- eBooks
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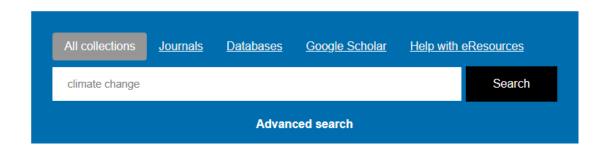
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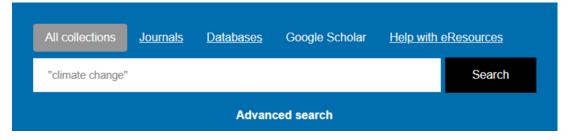
- To search for a phrase, or a specific title, type quotation marks ("") around the phrase/concept that you want to find. This phrase will include multiple words:
- Examples:

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"climate change"
"sustainable development"
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EXAMPLE

- Run two searches on Library Search
 (www.monash.edu.my/library) using climate change as a
 keyword and observe the changes in the number of
 search results:
 - Search No 1: climate change
 - Search No 2 (phrase search): "climate change"

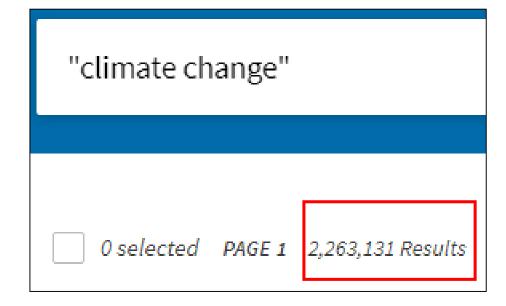




EXAMPLE

climate change

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Truncation

Also known as stemming

A technique that broadens your search to include various word endings. The root of a word is used followed by the truncation symbol at the end.

Truncation symbols may vary by database; common symbols include: *, !, or #

Examples

child* = child, children, childhood, childish employ*=employee, employer, employing, employment Scien* =science, scientific, scientology,

Word Variation • Truncation Asterisk (*) • Singular/Plural Wildcard • Varies (? Or #) Spelling variation

Wildcard

Substitutes one letter of a word to capture spelling variations

Similar to truncation, wildcards substitute a symbol for one letter of a word. This is useful if a word is spelled in different ways, but still has the same meaning.

Examples

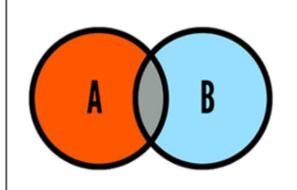
Wom?n = Woman, Women Colo?r = Colour, Color

Word Variation

- Truncation
 - Asterisk (*)
 - Singular/Plural
- Wildcard
 - Varies (? Or #)
 - Spelling variation



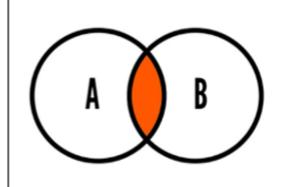
2. BOOLEAN OPERATORS (AND/ OR)



Using OR will search for resources that contain either or both concept A or B

e.g.: "green technology" OR "renewable energy"

. . . to broaden or narrow your search results.



Using AND will search for resources that combine both concept A and B e.g.: "green technology" AND Malaysia

EXAMPLE

"climate change" AND "sustainable development"

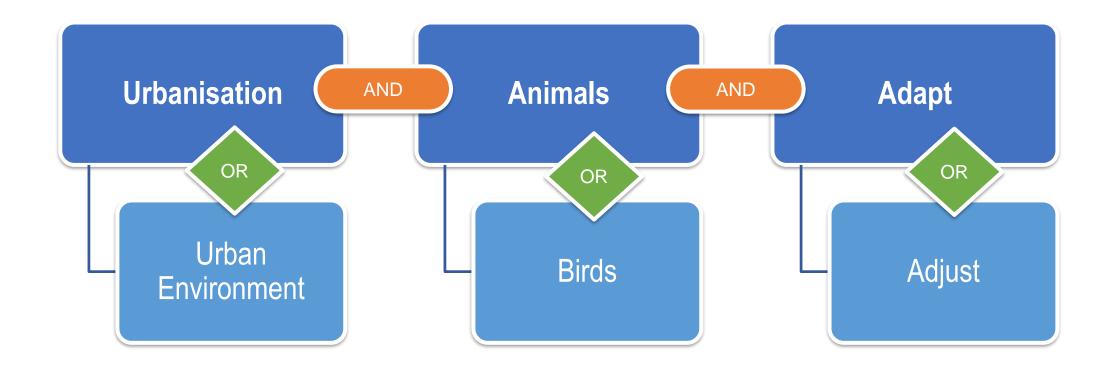
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Personalize



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SEARCH STRING

With well-structured search strings, you will be **able to quickly retrieve** comprehensive and highly **relevant search results** in one, or just a few, searches.

Simple search string (fill-in boxes):

- animals OR pets
- urbanisation AND "urban development"

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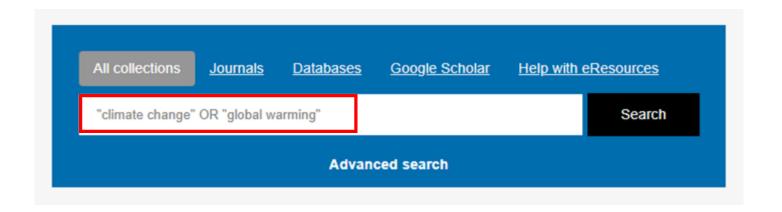
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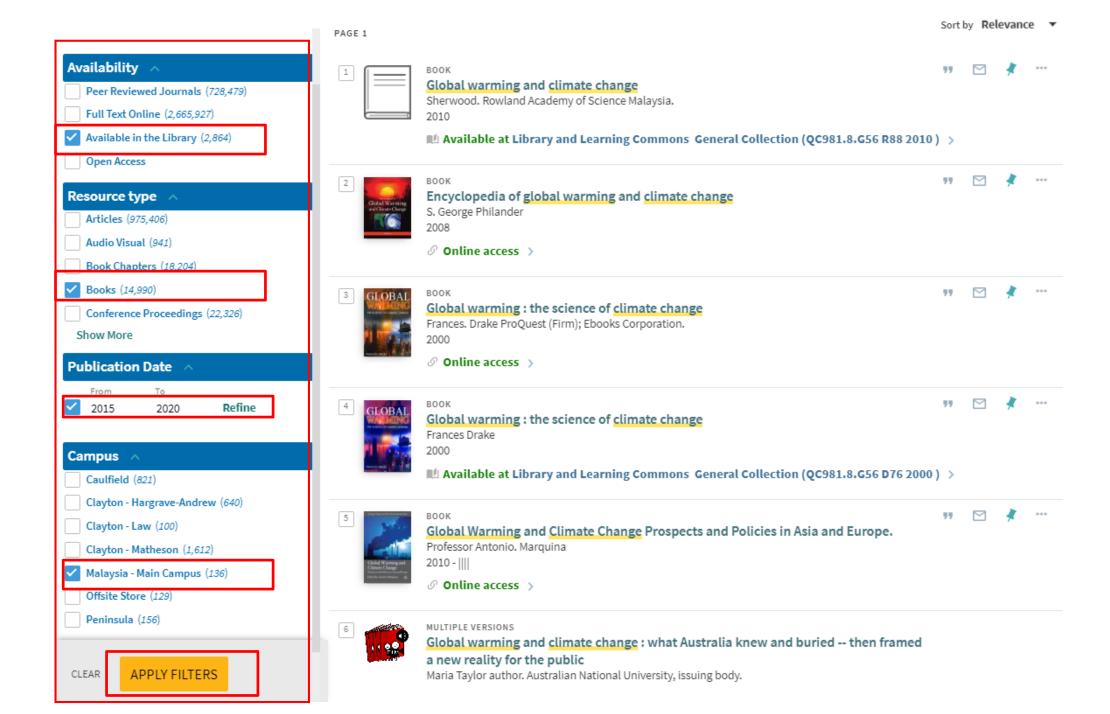
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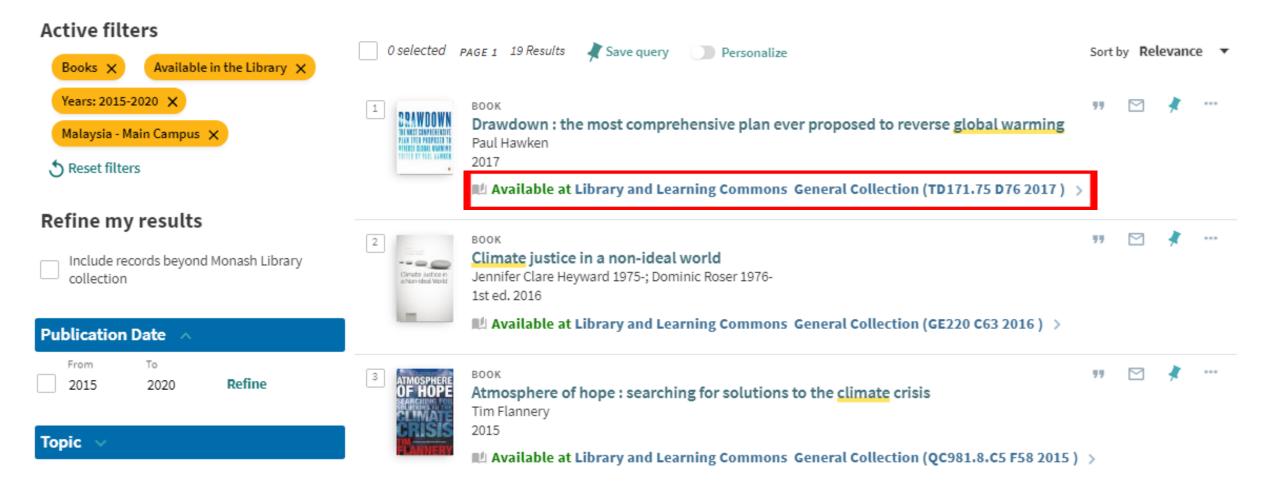
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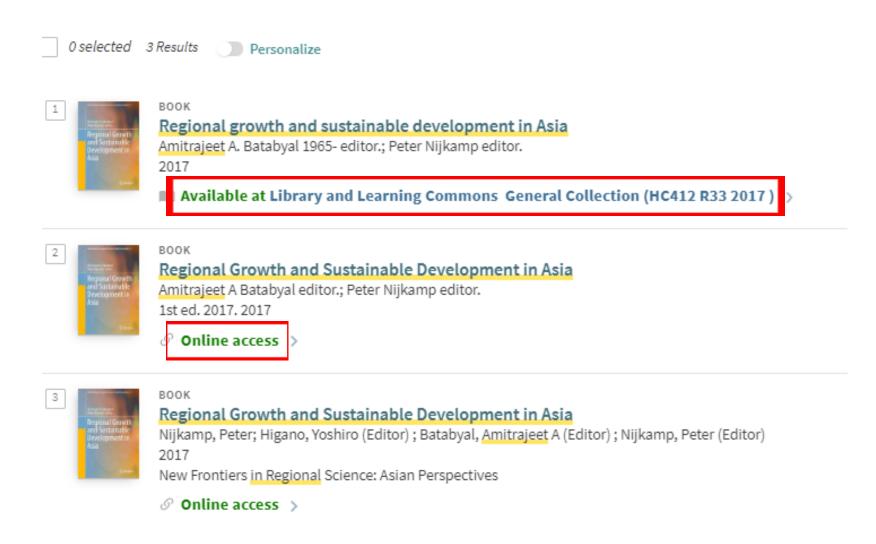
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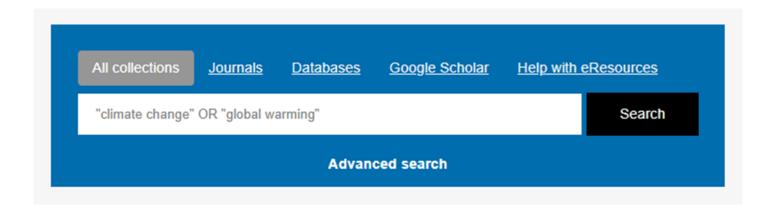


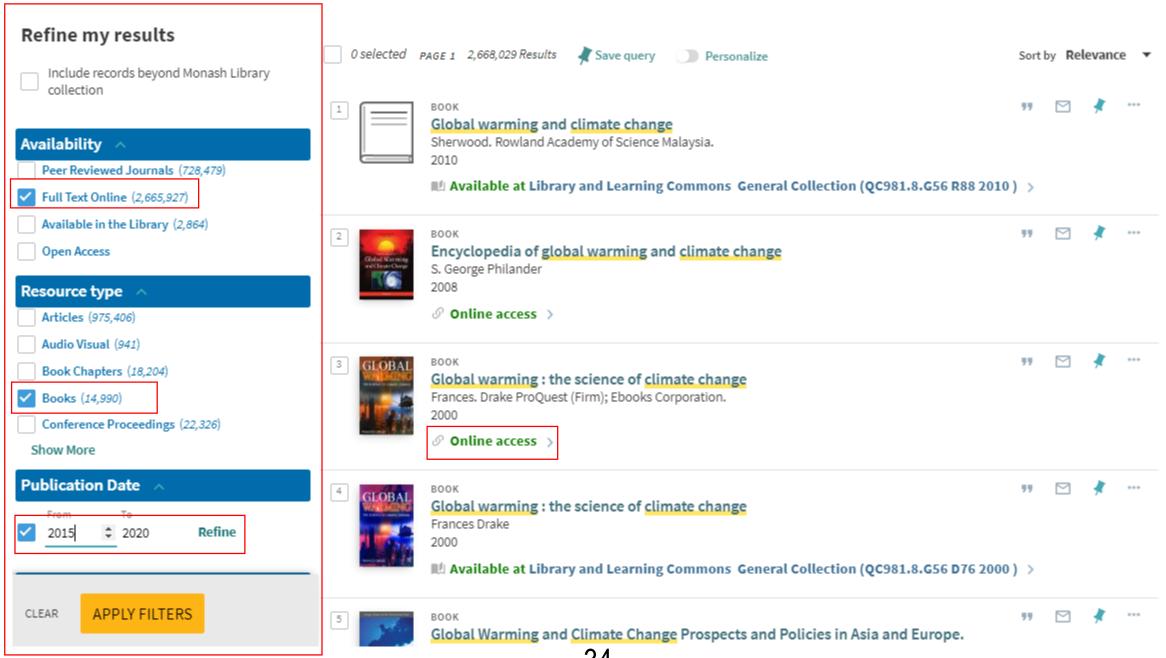
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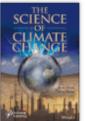
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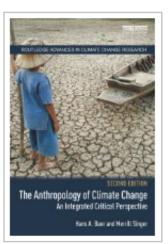
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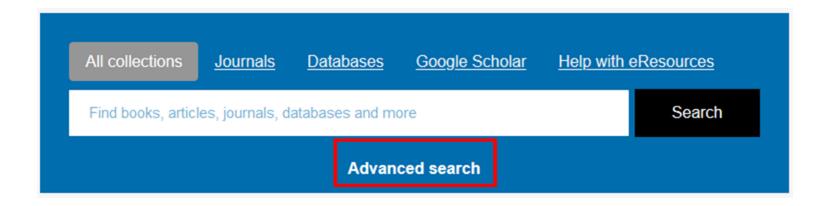
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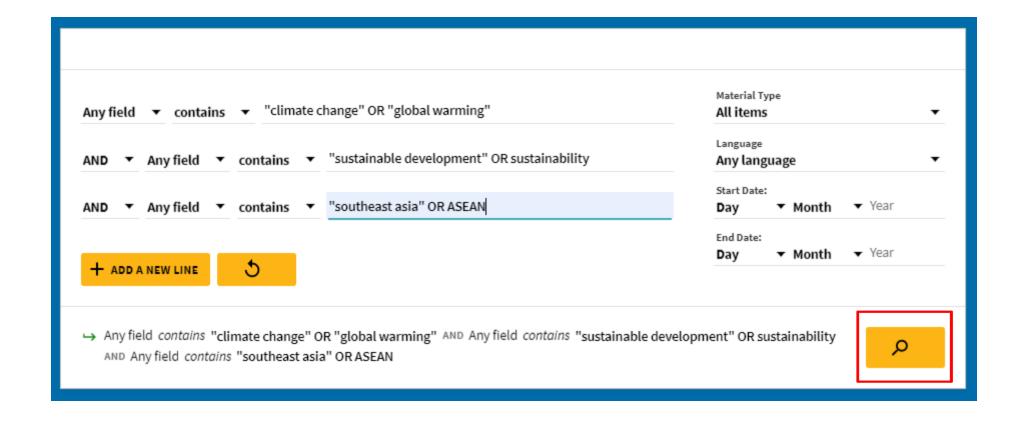
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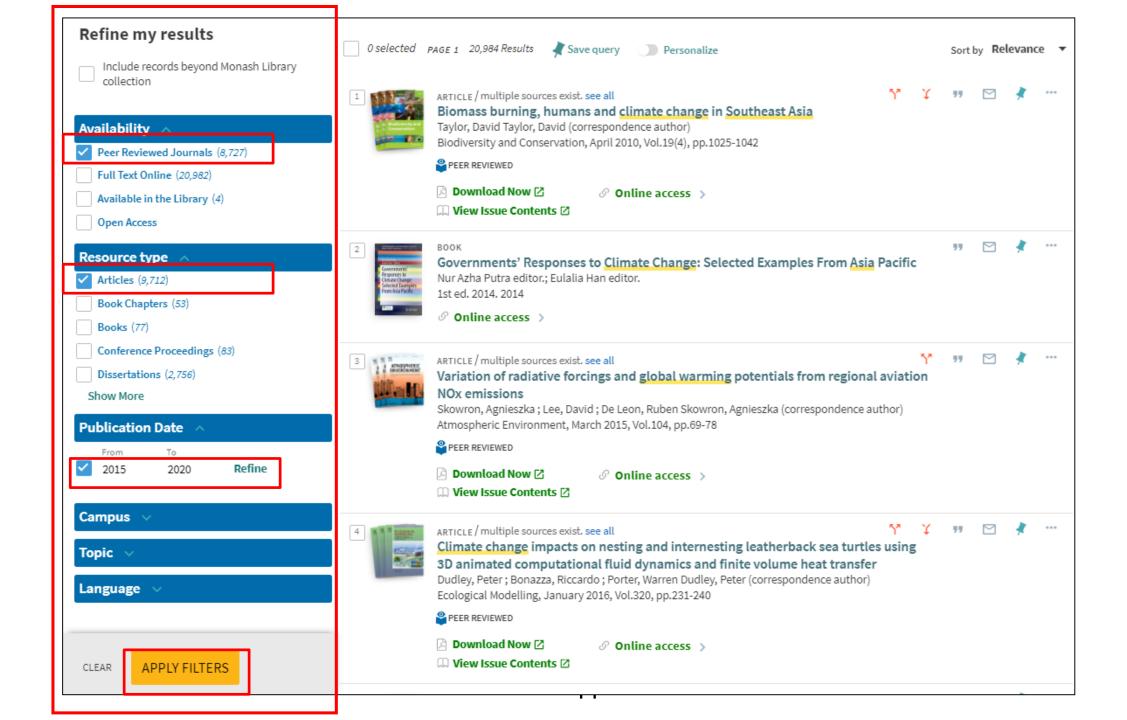
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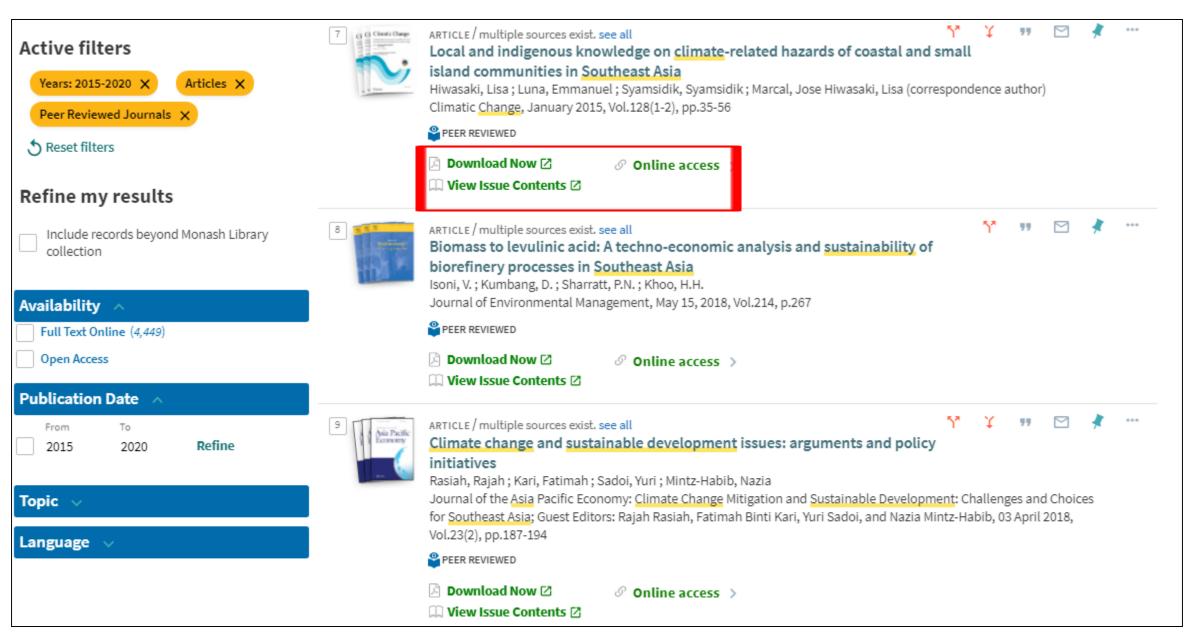
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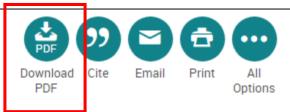
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Local and indigenous knowledge on climate-related hazards of coastal and small island communities in Southeast Asia



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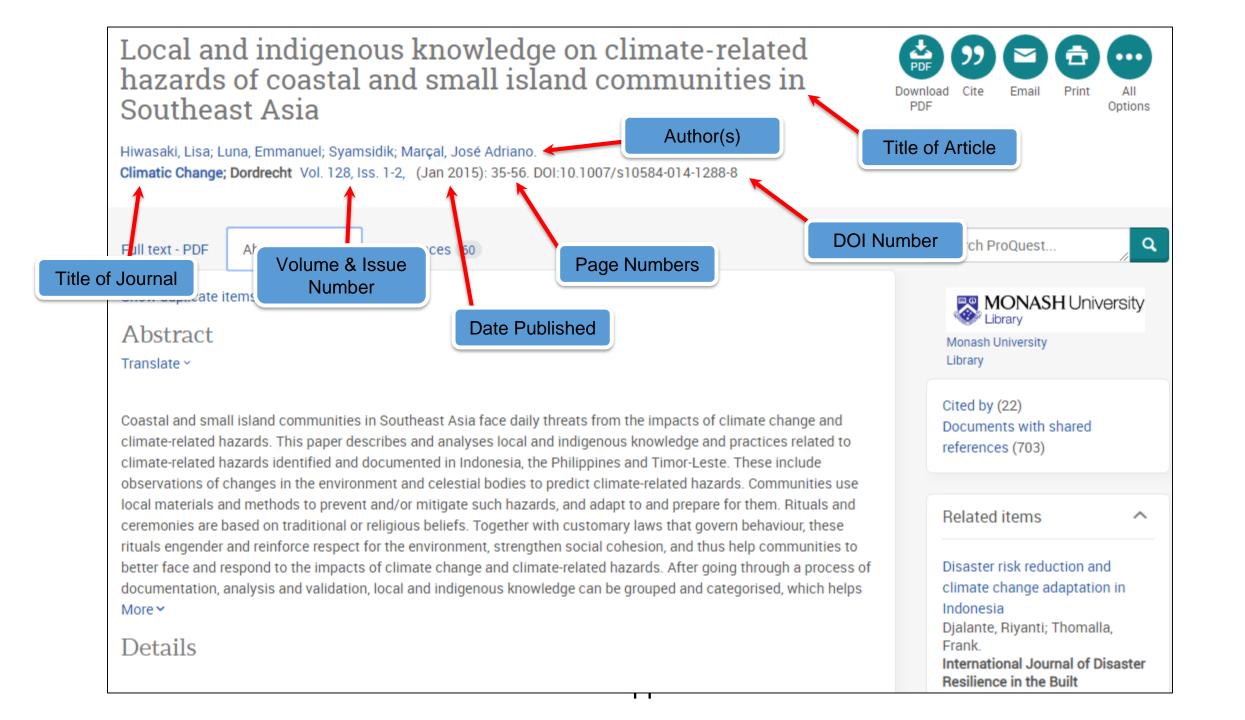
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Coastal and small island communities in Southeast Asia face daily threats from the impacts of climate change and climate-related hazards. This paper describes and analyses local and indigenous knowledge and practices related to climate-related hazards identified and documented in Indonesia, the Philippines and Timor-Leste. These include observations of changes in the environment and celestial bodies to predict climate-related hazards. Communities use local materials and methods to prevent and/or mitigate such hazards, and adapt to and prepare for them. Rituals and ceremonies are based on traditional or religious beliefs. Together with customary laws that govern behaviour, these rituals engender and reinforce respect for the environment, strengthen social cohesion, and thus help communities to better face and respond to the impacts of climate change and climate-related hazards. After going through a process of documentation, analysis and validation, local and indigenous knowledge can be grouped and categorised, which helps More ~

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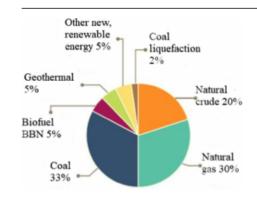
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HIGHLIGHTS

- Southeast Asia countries significantly rely on fossil resources.
- Renewable energy development is constrained by strong economic growth.
- Social, political and economic pressures hinder the implementation of renewable energy policy.
- The paper suggests the exchange of ideas and increased cooperation as a mechanism for development.

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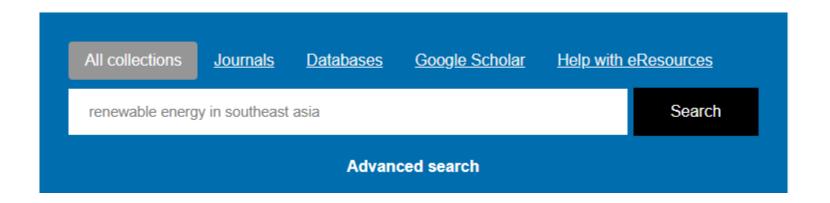
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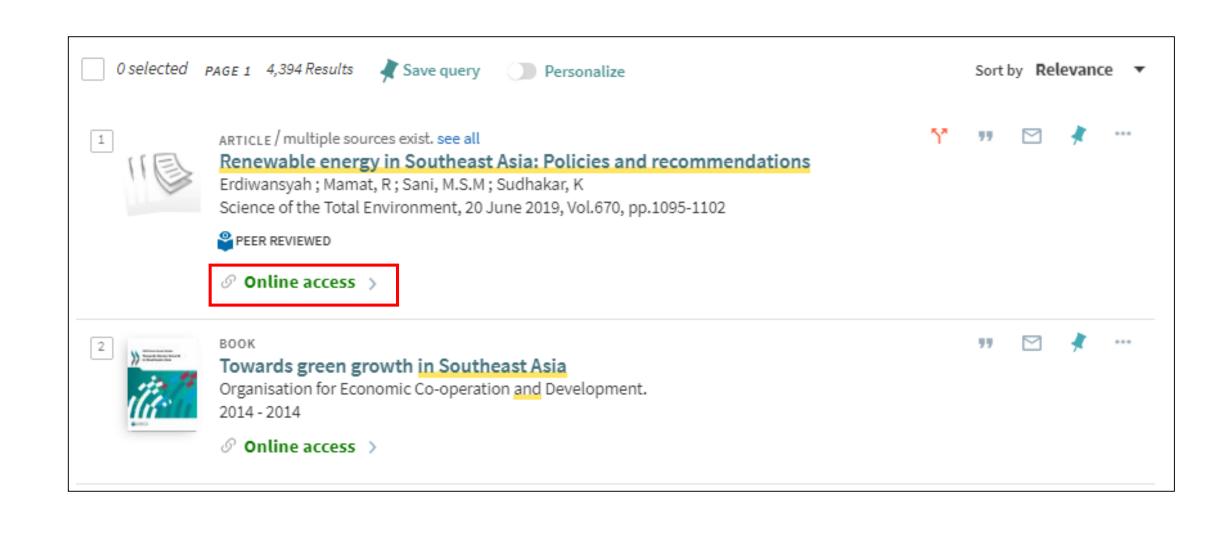
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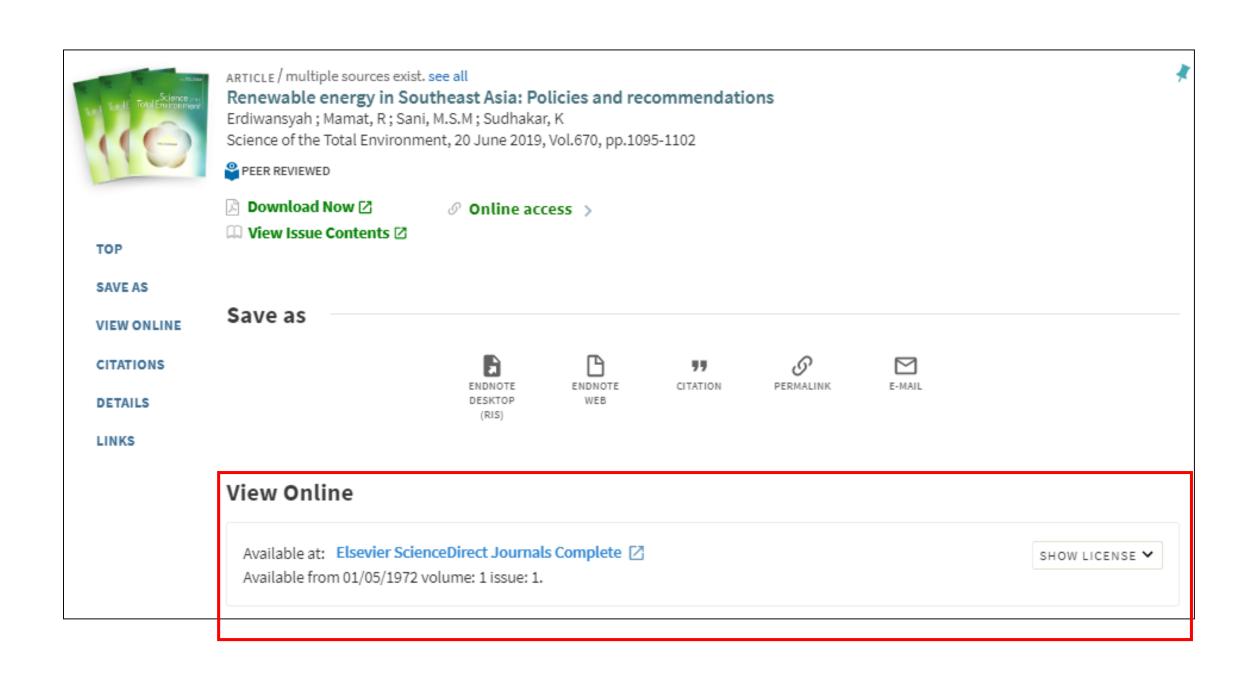
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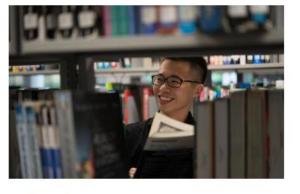
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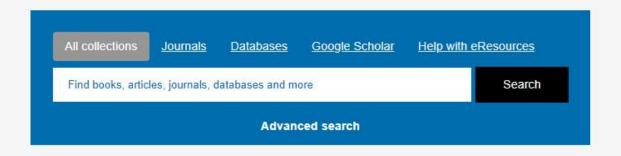
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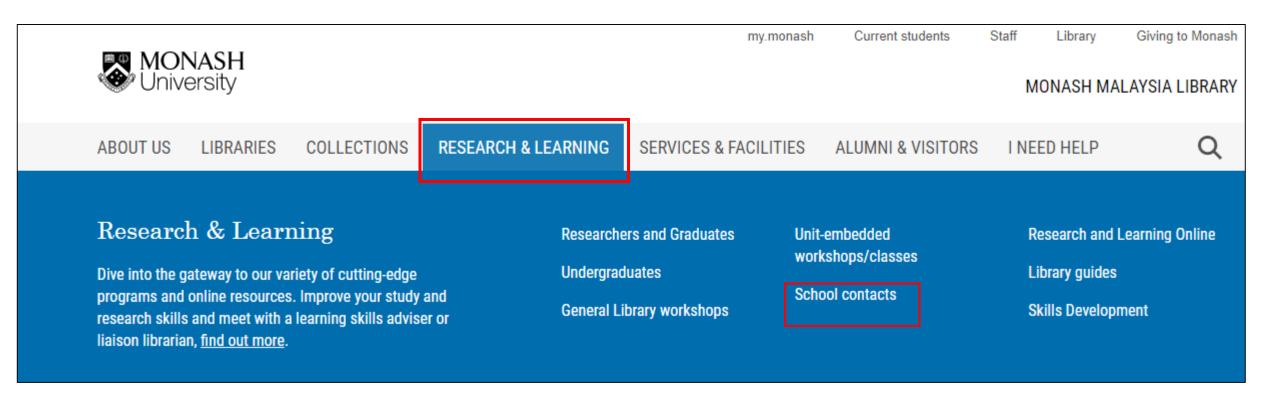
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