SIRS Discoverer

An overview of the new Interface

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SIRS Discoverer is...

• A general reference database for elementary and middle school learners, researchers and educators covering curriculum area content sets such as reading, language arts, current events, science, social studies, history, health and technology.

Contents....

• Editorially-selected, indexed and curated materials from over 2,100 newspapers, magazines, and websites ensuring safety and reliability for early learners and young researchers.
Keyword Search

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• Boolean operators (Must be in Capital Letters)
   AND, OR, NOT

• Truncation
   farm* = farmers, farming

• Phrase Searching
   “affirmative action”

• Natural Language
   Is there life on other planets?

Natural Language Stop Words

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Subject Search

Use the Subject headings when you have a specific search topic.

Sort By Options

- Sort by Date
- Sort by Relevance
- Sort Lexile (high to low)
- Sort Lexile (low to high)

Advanced Search
Source Types

- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Reference
- Images
- Websites

Reference Types

- Biographies
- Maps
- Encyclopedia

Search Results – Left Side
Educators Resources

Communication

• Edmodo Community
• Facebook Pages
  – ProQuest Homework Central
• Pinterest Pages
  – Educator Activities
  – Current Events in the Classroom
  – Food and Recipes

Curriculum Tools

• Student workbooks
• Activities
• Fiction
• iThink Skills Tutor
• Skills Discoverer
• Spotlight of the Month
• Standards Correlations