WorldCat.org

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Search WorldCat.org

Discover how to search and work with results in WorldCat.org

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Databases in detail

Find all of the databases available from OCLC that your library might choose to provide through WorldCat.org.

- ArchiveGrid
- OCLC ArticleFirst (ArticleFirst)
- Electronic Books (Ebooks)
- Electronic Collections Online (ECO)
- ERIC (ERIC)
- GPO Monthly Catalog (GPO)
- MEDLINE (MEDLINE)
- OAIster (OAIster)
- OCLC PapersFirst (PapersFirst)
- ProceedingsFirst (Proceedings)
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  ◦ Can a user link from WorldCat.org directly to the FirstSearch service?
  ◦ Can a user perform queries on Google that return only links to library materials?
  ◦ Can I change the appearance of the WorldCat.org Search Box on my library’s website?
  ◦ Can I change the display name of my WorldCat.org account?
  ◦ Can I recover a deleted WorldCat list?
  ◦ Does OCLC remove bibliographic records from WorldCat if they do not have attached holdings?
  ◦ Does the use of CatExpress qualify as contributing holdings to WorldCat, even though a library may not be providing all of their holdings to OCLC?
What is my WorldCat.org username?

What is the difference between access to databases such as the GPO, ArticleFirst, Medline, and ERIC on WorldCat.org and in FirstSearch?

What is the URL syntax for creating direct links to WorldCat results for an item, and what can I do with it?

Which Web sites are currently WorldCat partners?

Why am I seeing the message “Your library has customized WorldCat.org”?

Why aren't my library's holdings displaying in WorldCat.org?

Why are there holdings for my library in WorldCat.org on an item my institution does not own?

Why are there links to material purchasing at sites like Amazon.com?

Why can't I see my library's OpenURL resolver and other links in WorldCat.org?

Why can I not log into Service Configuration using my Worldcat.org account?

Why doesn't my library appear in holdings displays for items I know we have?

Why do I need a subscription to FirstSearch/WorldCat Discovery for my library's resources to be visible on WorldCat.org?

Why do I see a different list of libraries attached to a WorldCat record when I am in the library than when I search WorldCat.org from my home or office?

Why do I see more libraries that hold an item when I am searching WorldCat.org at my library?

Why is it that the same WorldCat search performed on WorldCat.org and then on FirstSearch produces different results?

Why should my library continue to subscribe to FirstSearch/WorldCat Discovery if my users can search the entire WorldCat database through WorldCat.org?

Why should my users or I search WorldCat on FirstSearch when we can search WorldCat on WorldCat.org?

Will WorldCat.org lead to an increase in the number of resource sharing requests I receive?

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