Symptom

• Search results include titles with no evident association to the search string.

Applies to

• WorldCat Discovery
• WorldCat Local

Resolution

The terms of your search were found in a field that is not displayed in the search results screen. Consider the following to improve relevancy:

• Search using a WorldCat Index, instead of the default keyword index that searches all variable tags in the MARC record.
• Include quotes around search terms that are phrases.
• Use more specific search terms.

Additional information

There are many ways to improve search results. We have a Searching WorldCat indexes guidelines and requirements that provides a lot more than those above.

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