WorldCat.org

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Get started with WorldCat.org

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• Search WorldCat.org

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

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• Databases in detail

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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)
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  ◦ ProceedingsFirst (Proceedings)
WorldCat.org Item Details screen

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- About the Item Details screen
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Find a copy

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Find out how to find a copy in the library, request an item, and buy an item in WorldCat.org.

Reference

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Find information about copying and exporting citations, copyright protection, and the formats available in WorldCat.org.

- Citations
- Copyright protection
- Formats
- Information for authors

Troubleshooting

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Find frequently asked questions (FAQ) and troubleshooting steps (Troubleshooting).

- Can authenticated users access my library’s online services?
- Can a library change the deep link to its OPAC used in WorldCat.org? How quickly do changes take effect?
- 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?
Does the WorldCat.org search box recognize diacritics in search terms?

○ Do OCLC libraries have to make their holdings available via WorldCat.org?

○ Do WorldCat.org search results apply the FRBR concept?

○ From where does the information displayed in an individual library listing on WorldCat.org come?

○ How can a library make its holdings visible on WorldCat.org to people who reach the site directly or from
  partner sites such as Google Books, Goodreads, or Wikipedia?

○ How can I export my search results?

○ How can I fix the Requested URL was rejected error in the Find a copy in the library area

○ How can I terminate my WorldCat account?

○ How do I delete my Worldcat.org account?

○ How do I know whether my holdings are being displayed?

○ How do I update my email address on my WorldCat.org account?

○ How do I update the base URL for my institution?

○ How do I update the email address on my WorldCat.org account?

○ How do we update the information found in the WorldCat Registry?

○ How many WorldCat records are searched through WorldCat.org?

○ If a web user adds a personal review of a book to a WorldCat.org record, will someone else be able to edit
  what they have written?

○ If I cancel our cataloging subscription will my holdings be automatically deleted from WorldCat.org?

○ In a library group setting where access to WorldCat on FirstSearch is shared and/or attached only to the
  main library's OCLC symbol, are the holdings of all group libraries visible through WorldCat.org?

○ In what order are institutions displayed in WorldCat.org results, and how is that order determined?

○ Is it possible to generate URLs to WorldCat.org that search by ISBN, ISSN, and Title?

○ Is it possible to search only Open Access titles?

○ Is there a separate fee for having my holdings visible through WorldCat.org?

○ Is WorldCat.org available in languages other than English?

○ I am trying to change the ILL link text for the ILL form my patrons are directed to from FirstSearch and
  WorldCat.org. Where do I change this?

○ I found a book in WorldCat.org, how do I request it from OCLC?

○ I have just seen my library's holding symbol attached to a WorldCat record for a book we do not own. How
  can this happen?

○ Our users are getting a "This connection is not private" message when trying to access our institution's
  WorldCat page. How can this be updated?

○ Personal list count wrong in free WorldCat.org

○ What happened to the linked data that previously displayed on records in WorldCat.org?

○ What is a deep-linking URL and how do I set it up?

○ 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?

https://help.oclc.org/Discovery_and_Reference/WorldCat-org

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- What is the URL syntax for creating direct links to WorldCat results for an item, and what can I do with it?
- When will registry updates to my deep catalog links start working in WorldCat.org?
- 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 does WorldCat.org require cookies?
- 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 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?
- Worldcat.org cookie coming up over and over