# Advanced Searching Methods in iDiscover

### 1. Advanced searching

• Click on the 'Advanced Search' option (to the right of the iDiscover search box):

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• This opens the advanced search screen to allow/begin refining your search further.

**Note:** If you do a simple search and then select '[] ADVANCED SEARCH', iDiscover will carry forward the search term you have already entered. Similarly, if you begin a search in [] ADVANCED SEARCH and then return to SIMPLE SEARCH, the search term will also be carried through.

## 2. Refining your advanced search

• Use the drop down boxes in the advanced search screen to define your search criteria in detail:

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- You can use 'AND', 'OR' and 'NOT' as options for refining for each additional line within the search query.
- Select 'Any field' to choose from title, author/creator, subject or classmark.
- Select 'contains' to decide if the search should *contain*, *be exact* or *start with* the search word.
- You can add additional lines and criteria by selecting '+ ADD A NEW LINE'.

Note: As you add new lines, the overall search query appears at the bottom of the screen

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- To remove your advanced search details, use: <sup>3</sup> CLEAR
- You can also limit results to:

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- o Material Type: Articles, Journals, Images, Audio Visual or All items
- Language: A range of languages
- Publication Date: Any year, a specific date, last year, last 2 years, last 5 years, last 10 years, last 20 years

**Note:** You can also use the filters in the 'Refine my results' area of the results page for precise dates (See Quick Guide: Refining, expanding and ordering your results).

Click on

to retrieve your advanced search results.

#### 3. Truncation Searching

If you are not sure of a spelling (of multiple letters) or want to retrieve similar words (e.g. London, Londoner), you can use the '\*'. A search for "parad\* lost" will retrieve results for 'paradise lost', plus any results for e.g. 'parade lost'. This works in both the simple and advanced search.

### 4. List of results

When you search for items, a list of results is displayed:

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- The number of results and pages are shown in the top left of the screen.
- Each result has an icon (or book cover) followed by a brief description of the item.
- Result information includes: title, author, resource type (e.g. book, article, review). There are also links to see where the item is located or if it is available to access online as full text.

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- Search results are paginated and there is a page-turner icon it to turn to more pages and load more results (or click on the 'load more results' button which appears at the bottom of a page).
- Click on a record to view the detailed results information (you can also open results in a new window or tab by right clicking):

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• To send details (as email, permalinks, citations or in RIS to reference managers) or print, use the icons in the 'Send to' section.