

Finding books and ebooks in iDiscover

1. You can choose to search within iDiscover using one of the three options by selecting a radio button at the top of the screen:

- **Cambridge Libraries Collections:** books (printed and electronic), other physical library content and Apollo, the Cambridge institutional repository.
- **Articles and online resources:** Articles online (both in peer-reviewed journals and from other sources), databases, electronic journals and other online content.
- **Search everything:** All of the resources covered by the Cambridge Libraries Collections and Articles and online resources searches

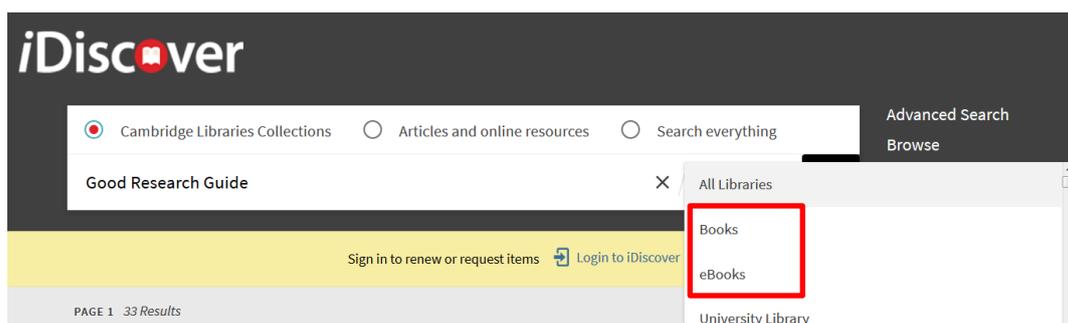


2. Finding books

- You can search for books and ebooks using the title, author, ISBN or a keyword.
- Enter your search term in the simple search box. For example, *Good Research Guide*:



- To further refine your search to ebooks or print books, select the 'Books' (for printed books) or 'eBooks' (electronic books) option from the dropdown to the left of the search box:



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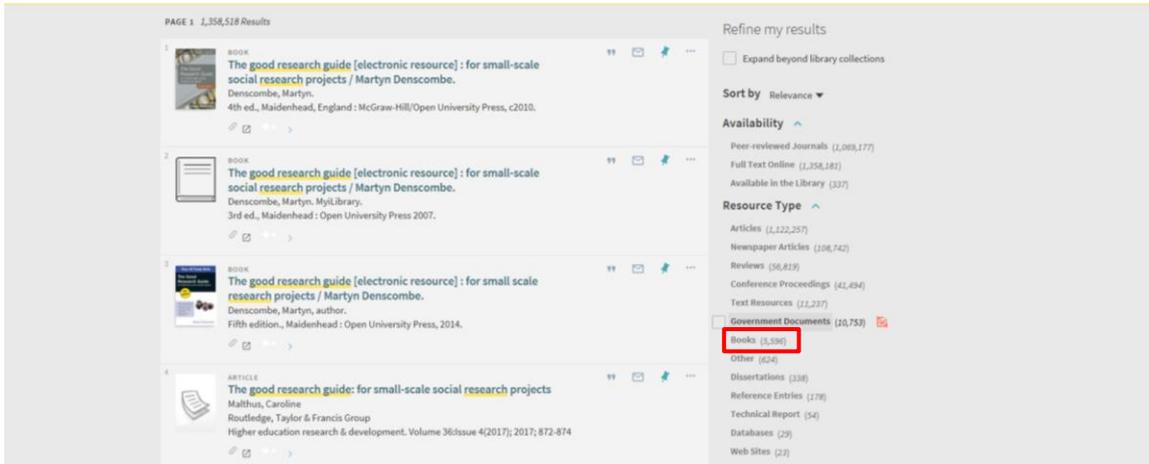
- Use “...” around your search terms to focus the search to the exact title. This will bring up more relevant results.
- Click on the library drop down to search from a specific library.

- **Book** records will show the word ‘BOOK’ in the results list and will have a book cover image (or a icon when no cover image is available). Availability information will display next to the logo.
- **Ebook** records will show the word ‘BOOK’ in the results list and will display the following icons . There may also be a book cover image (or a icon when no cover image is available).

The screenshot shows the iDiscover search interface. At the top, there are radio buttons for "Cambridge Libraries Collections" (selected), "Articles and online resources", and "Search everything". The search bar contains "good research guide" and a dropdown menu is set to "All Libraries". Below the search bar, it shows "3 Results" and a "Save query" button. The results list contains three entries:

- Result 1: A book cover image is shown in a red box. To its right, the word "BOOK" is in a red box. The title is "Good research guide : for small-scale social research projects." by Martyn Denscombe, 5th ed. It is available at "Pembroke College Main Library (99,DEN 1)".
- Result 2: A book cover image is shown. The title is "The good research guide : for small-scale social research projects / Martyn Denscombe." by Martyn Denscombe author. It is available at "Education Faculty Library Processing (301/01 DEN) and other locations".
- Result 3: A book cover image is shown in a blue box. To its right, the word "BOOK" is in a blue box. The title is "The good research guide for small scale research projects / Martyn Denscombe." by Martyn Denscombe author. It has "Online access" with a link icon and an external icon in blue boxes.

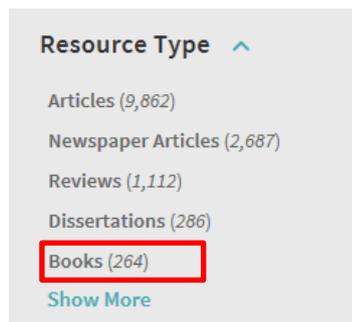
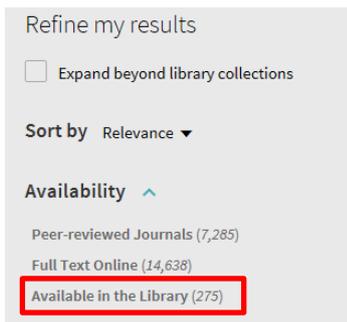
- Click on a book title to view more details and options to obtain/access the book content.
- You can narrow your search to view only books (both print and electronic) in the results by clicking on the 'Books' option in the 'Resource Type' filter:



(See Quick Guide: Refining, expanding and ordering your results).

3. Locating a print book

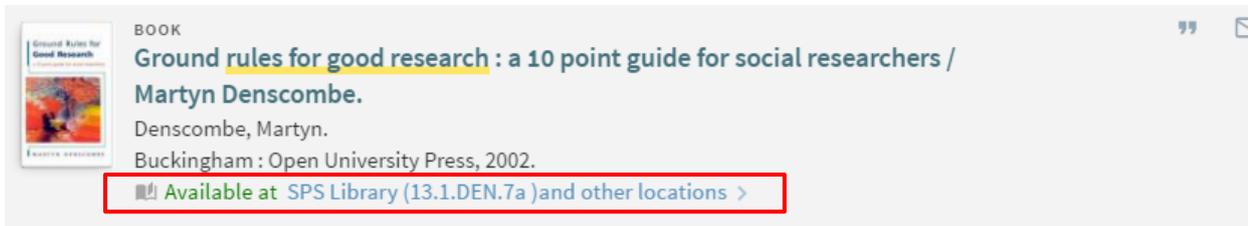
- Use the 'Availability' filter to select 'Available in the library'. Then select 'books' in the 'Resource type' filter (if you haven't already). This search will only retrieve results which are available in print:



A print book record will show the location and classmark. You will see 'Check holdings at' or 'Available at':



- Click on the 'Check holdings at' or 'Available at' link to see which libraries have the book and further details ('and other locations' means there are several locations where this book is held. Click this link to see a list of the libraries with this book):



BOOK

Ground rules for good research : a 10 point guide for social researchers / Martyn Denscombe.

Denscombe, Martyn.
Buckingham : Open University Press, 2002.

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- Use the 'Availability' filter to select 'Full text online'. Then select 'books' in the 'Resource type' filter (if you haven't already). This search will retrieve only electronic books within your results.
- An ebook record will have the following icons  ...  > in the record details (e.g. [Online access](#)  >)
- Hover your cursor over the 'Online access' link to view the information box relating to this resource.



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The good research guide for small-scale social research projects / Martyn Denscombe.

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3rd ed. Maidenhead : Open University Press 2007.

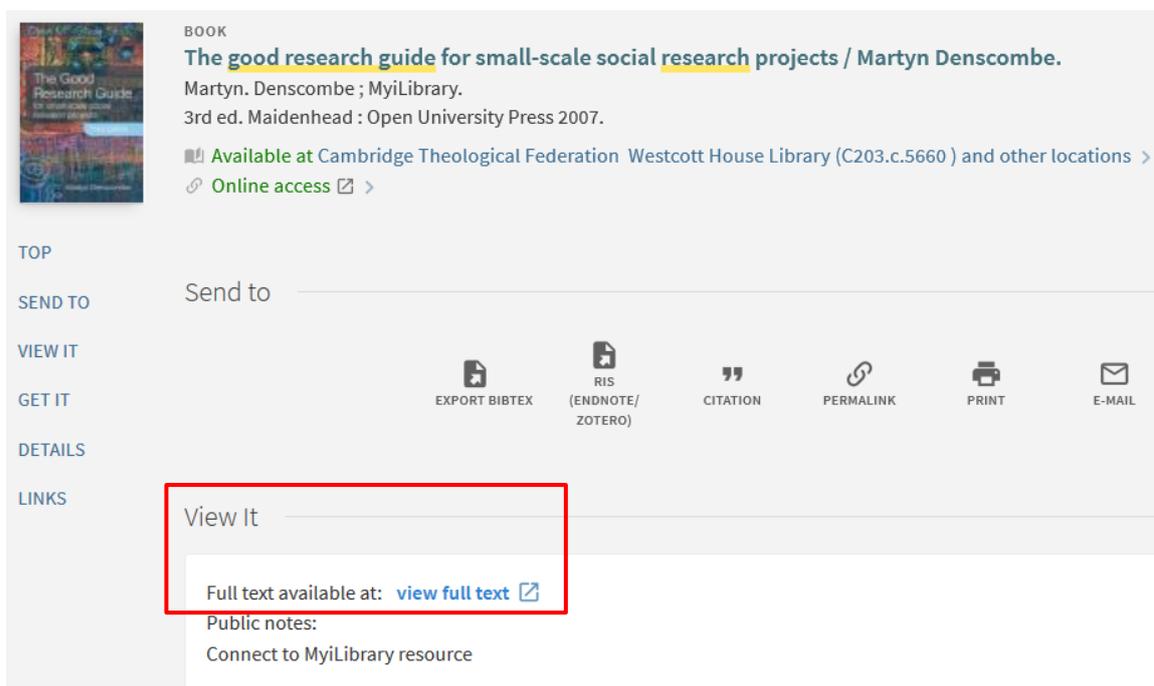
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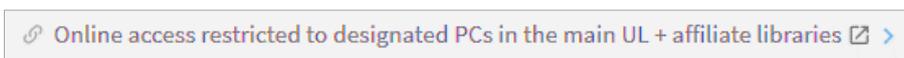


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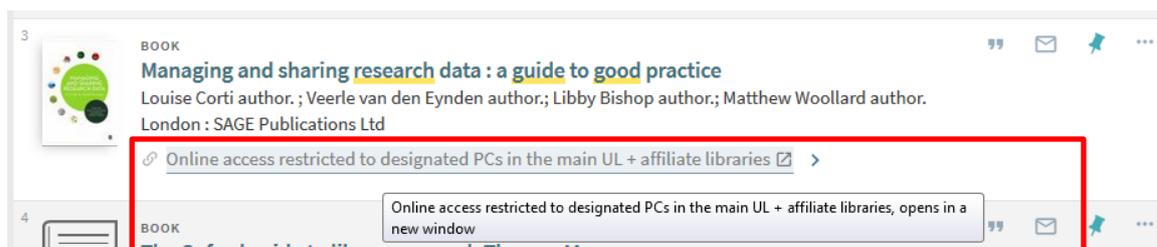
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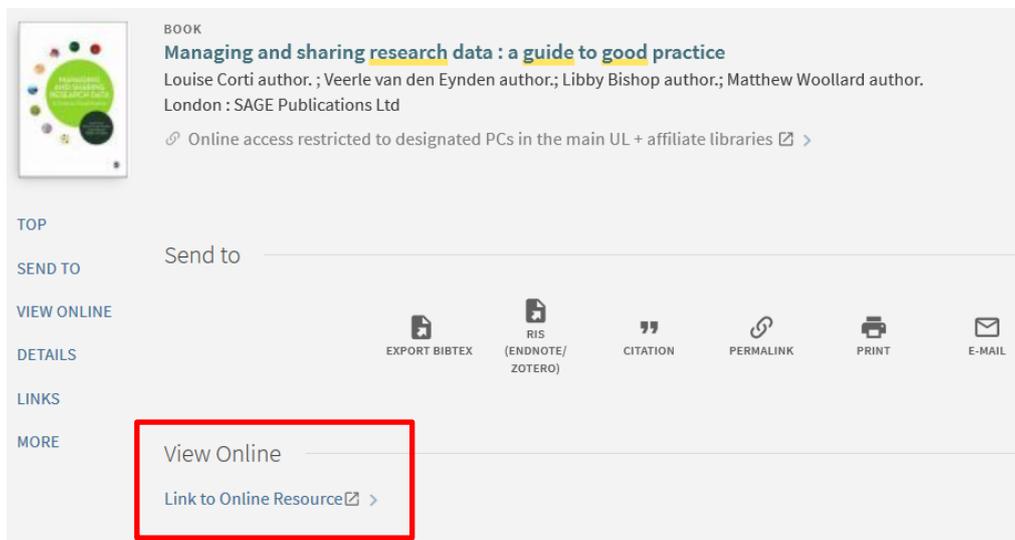
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