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CITING & DOCUMENTING SOURCES:

KEEPING TRACK OF THE SEARCH...

Take notes as you search. Why? To help you remember where you found what and to help you avoid repeating searches that you've already done! You'll remember which databases and strategies worked the best and save time later.

Date	Where Did I Look?	How Did I Search?	What Words Did I Use?	How Much?	Good Stuff?	What Else To Try?
6/9/03	ORION2	keyword	tattoo	116 books & even some music scores?	Too many—some not in English and some not really about tattoos. I'm getting novels, plays & music too.	try tattooing and limit to English
6/9/03	ORION2	subject, limit to English language	tattooing	30 books	Good. A lot about tattooing, the history of it, the culture of it, etc.	body art or marking or painting? Look for articles next?
6/12/03	Sociological Abstracts	Keyword	tattooing	52 some were articles, some books, a couple of dissertations	Pretty good, but the article I was looking at, "Tattooing and Body Piercing: Body Art Practices among College Students" lists "deviant behavior" as a descriptor/subject word.	subcultures, countercultures, self expression, deviant behavior?
6/12/03	Sociological Abstracts	keyword ⟶ AND descriptor ⟶	tattoo* (* is the truncation symbol so it'll find "tattoo" or "tattooing") subcultures	12 one dissertation, one book, but the rest were articles	Articles are right on! Emailed myself the citations — subject line "tattoo & subcultures articles"	try something like this in a psychology database next

EXAMPLE

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