MasterFILE Complete

Description: MasterFILE Complete contains full text from magazines and journals covering an extensive range of subject areas including business, health, education, fitness, sports & leisure, personal finance, general science, multicultural issues, DIY, fashion and much more. Full text reference books, primary source documents, and an extensive image collection are also included.

Content:

- More than 2,400 full text periodicals
- Over 1.4 million photos, maps & flags
- Over 73,000 primary source documents
- Some of the full text information dates as far back as 1922

MasterFILE contains many full text scholarly journals but it also includes a variety of full text popular magazines. Here are some of the popular magazines that are available in MasterFILE.

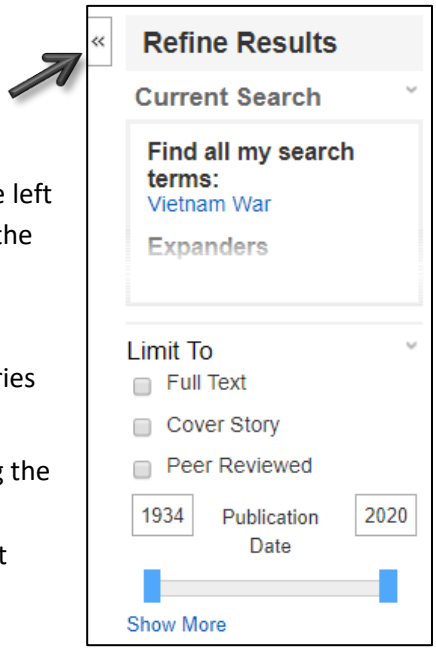
- Consumer Reports & Buying Guide
- Cooking Light
- Entertainment Weekly
- Field & Stream
- Golf Magazine
- Hot Rod
- Kiplinger's Personal Finance
- Martha Steward Living
- Motor Trend
- Nebraska Life
- Outdoor Life
- Parents
- Popular Science
- Publishers Weekly
- School Library Journal
- Southern Living
- Sports Illustrated
- Time Magazine
- Web User

Note: See the EBSCOhost Interface handout for additional information.

Examples: The following are examples of the types of questions that can be answered using the MasterFILE Complete database. Listed below the questions are examples of searches that can be used to find relevant results.

Information on the Vietnam War

- Possible search terms to enter on the Basic Search screen:
  - Vietnam War
  - Vietnam War 1961-1975
  - Vietnam Veterans
- On the Search Result screen, use the options in Refine Results area along the left side of the screen to refine your search. If you do not see this area, look for the double arrows. (» or «) Clicking them shows or hides this area.
  - Full Text - limit results to articles with full text
  - Cover Story - limit results to articles that were featured as cover stories
  - Publication Date
    - Use 1961-1975 to limit your results to articles written during the war.
    - Use a range such as 1975-1980 to see what was written right after the war.

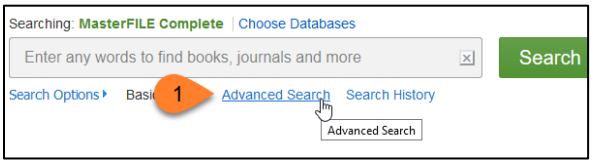


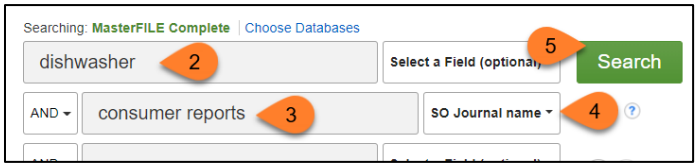
- The MasterFILE database includes Associated Press Videos. If videos related to you are search are available a video carousel will be display between the second and third search results. Some of these videos realted to Vietname are from the 1970's.

Find a review of a product in *Consumer Reports*

MasterFILE contains the full text of *Consumer Reports* and *Consumer Reports Buying Guides.* Both of these are great sources for product reviews. Here's an easy way to perform this search.

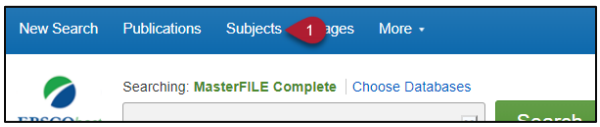
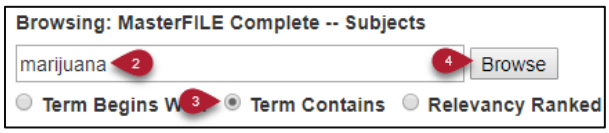
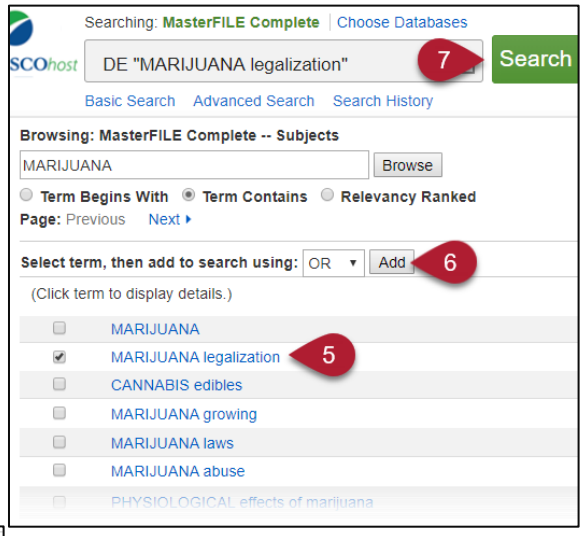
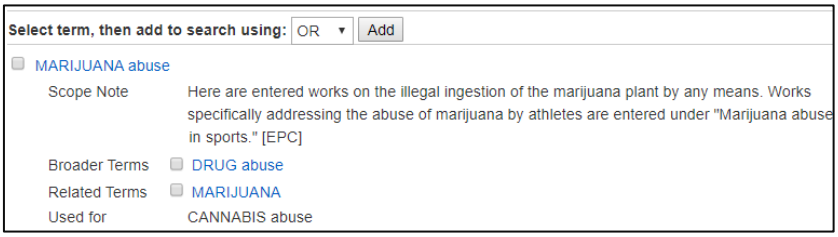
1. Go to the Advanced Search Screen. A link to it is available under the Basic Search box.
2. Enter the name of the product you are researching in the first box. For this example, I entered dishwasher.
3. In the second search box, enter consumer reports.
4. In the corresponding dropdown box select "SO Journal Name"
5. Click Search





This search will find results in both *Consumer Reports* and *Consumer Reports Buying Guides* because both titles start with the words Consumer Reports.

A student needs to write a report related to the topic of marijuana however, they don't have a specific focus selected. They would like to start by seeing what type of information is available.



1. One way to explore a topic is to use the **Subjects** search.
2. Enter the term marijuana in the **Browsing** box.
3. For this example, I think selecting the **Term Contains** option works best.
4. Click **Browse**.
5. A list of subjects is displayed that cover a variety of issues. To search for a specific subject click the corresponding check box.
6. Click the **Add** button.
7. The subject will now appear in the search box at the top of the screen. The DE signifies that the search phrase is a subject heading. Click **Search** to run the search.
8. Return to the Subject screen to explore additional subjects.
9. Click on a term to learn more about it.