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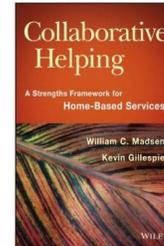
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## Facets of E-Books

by Ruth A. Hodges

Libraries have become more diverse in their delivery of information. Users now have 24/7 access to online journals/magazines, newspapers, electronic books, and other resources and services. E-books are the newest and less used among these resources. Given the infrequent use of these resources, some may ask: *What are e-books? What are their advantages and disadvantages? Are e-books for me?* Here, we attempt to address many of these questions.



### What are E-Books?

E-books are electronic versions of printed books; sometimes referred to as electronic books, e-books, or digital books. Although viewable as a digital object via e-readers, there are several parallels between the e-book and the printed book, such as being

able to highlight, write notes, copy/print, bookmark, and check-out e-books for use outside of the library. Yet, there are some advantages and disadvantages of e-books compared to printed books.

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## Congratulations Graduating Library Work Study Students! We wish you much success in your future endeavors.

### Did You Know That

- you can access three major academic e-book collections via the MFW Library?
- the Library subscribes to over 12,000 online journal titles through our databases?
- the SC State Presidents' portraits are available through the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Digital Collections on the library website?



Montea Hawthorne – Mass Communication, Broadcasting  
Ashley Shelton – Early Childhood Education  
Khadijah Johnson - Marketing  
Zipporah Ford – Biology  
Andrea Butler – Mass Communication, Broadcasting  
Jasmine Fulmore - Biology (Not Pictured)

<http://library.scsu.edu>

## Ebooks

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### What Are Some Advantages of E-Books?

One can highlight and write notes in an e-book regardless of whether it is a reference or a personal book; 24/7 access is available to an e-book without regard to time, distance, or place; e-books may be checked-out/downloaded on mobile devices; even reference books may be checked-out or downloaded for use outside the library; there is no risk of having torn or ripped out pages from an e-book; and key terms or concepts are easily browsable or searchable in an e-book.

### What Are Some Disadvantages E-Books?

Two disadvantages of e-books are: 1) e-books generally are unavailable when Internet access is unavailable, unless downloaded to a mobile device; and 2) users cannot copy/

print beyond the allowable number of pages — copyright restriction. However, this is an advantage to authors and publishers.

### Did You Know the MFW Library Has Three E-Book Collections?

The Miller F. Whittaker Library subscribes to three multidisciplinary e-book collections. Since 2010, the library has subscribed to Ebrary, a ProQuest product covering 12 academic disciplines. More recently, subscriptions have been acquired to Ebook Library (EBL), also a ProQuest product covering over 18 academic disciplines, and to Ebsco E-Book Academic Collection, an Ebsco product covering over 15 academic disciplines. To learn more about these e-book collections, online tutorials and library assistance are available.

Links to tutorials and library contact are available below:

- *Ebrary*: <http://tinyurl.com/EB-MFW>
- *Ebsco Ebook Academic Collection*: <https://youtu.be/8aNVLkFcDtA>
- Instructional and Other Assistance: (803) 536-8640

**Helpful Hint:**  
Begin your  
research at  
the library's  
website .

## How to Find the Right Book?

by Wanda Priester

How do you find books to meet your needs? Although a librarian is there for assistance, you can browse the shelves or search the online catalog to find books on your own. The Miller F. Whittaker Library has provided a video and brochure to assist in searching and finding hundreds of books

in the online catalog (e.g., government documents, periodicals, special collections, and more). Just copy and paste this link in your web browser:

<http://screencast-o-matic.com/watch/coeVcHemDt>.

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## Information is Power!

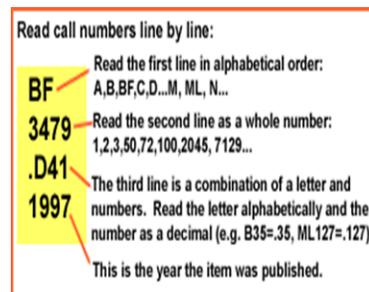
### Find Book

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When you find the book that you need in the online catalog, write or printout the call number, title, and author of the book. The call number gives the address of the book's location in the Library (see diagram). The

following video provides additional instructions on reading a call number and finding books in the library.

Please click or copy and paste this link in your Web browser:  
<http://screencast-o-matic.com/watch/coflo5eRG9>



## Help! I Need Journal Articles!

*by Debbie Gramling*

If you need journal articles but don't know how to find them, check out the library's web site and click on [Electronic Resources](#). Here you will find a wealth of academic research via journal databases. Simply choose a database to search based on the topic area needed. For example, if you need speech pathology articles, click on the *Health Sciences* link and click on a database to begin searching. To conduct a search in any chosen database under [Electronic Resources](#), follow the general strategy outlined below:

1. Enter your search terms in the database's text boxes. Your search terms can be keywords or phrases.

2. Click on the drop-down menu beside each text box to display a list of fields available and highlight the field you wish to search in. The best fields to use when conducting topical searches

include subject, keyword, abstract, and all text.

3. Use Boolean Operators (**And**, **Or**, **Not**) in the search to connect more than one term and to narrow or broaden your potential search results.

- **And** - combines search terms so that each search result contains all of the terms. For example, **travel AND Europe** narrows your results to find articles that contain both travel AND Europe.

- **Or** - combines search terms so that each search result contains at least one of the terms. For example, **college OR university** widens your results to find results that contain either college OR university or both terms together.

- **Not** - excludes terms so that each search result does not contain any of the terms that follow it. For

example, **television NOT cable** narrows to find results that contain television but NOT cable.

4. Use *Limits* to refine your result set, but do not use too many limits at once. Restrict by date ranges, limit your results to full text documents only by checking the box, limit your results to scholarly reviewed titles only by checking the box, etc.

5. Click Search. Your search results are displayed.

6. Print, E-mail, and/or Save articles.

Consult the **HELP** button in each database for more tips on searching. As always, **ask a librarian on duty at the Reference Desk for further assistance if you are having difficulty finding the information needed.**

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**About Newsletter Title**

The Newsletter title symbolizes the library as a critical and central component of SC State University. Through provision of information; collection development and organization; access; and liaison services, the library supports research, instruction, and community needs of the University to help fulfill its land-grant, global, technology, and related missions.

**Friends of the Miller F. Whittaker Library**

*by Cathi Cooper Mack*

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**Library Hours****Fall and Spring Semesters**

Monday - Thursday	8:30 am - 10:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	12:00 noon - 5:00 pm
Sunday	3:00 pm - 9:00 pm

**Summer**

Monday - Thursday	8:30 am - 7:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Sunday	Closed