



Tuesday's Tip

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Effective keyword searching in Millennium!

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Unlike the OPAC, Millennium does not automatically use "and" between keywords in a keyword search; rather, it treats multiple keywords as an *exact phrase*. So if you want to get the same results from the keyword search in Millennium as you would get from the OPAC, put "and" (without the quotes) between each of the keywords in your search.

Examples and explanation below: Keyword search for **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix**

Keyword search in the OPAC

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Mid-Hudson Library System /Catalog - Windows Internet Explorer". The address bar shows the search URL: <http://gigcat.midhudson.org/search/?searchtype=X&SORT=D&searcharg=harry+potter+phoenix&searchscope=1>. The search results page displays the Mid-Hudson Library System logo and navigation menu. The search results are filtered by "KEYWORD" and show "17 results found. Sorted by relevance | date | title". A red arrow points to the search input field containing "harry potter phoenix". The results list includes:

- 1. **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix [videorecording] / produced by David Heyman : screenplay b**
Burbank, CA : Warner Home Video, 2011. Widescreen. 5 stars. DVD icon. Request button. 7 holds on first copy returned of 1 copy.
- 2. **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix [electronic resource].**
Redwood City, CA : Electronic Arts, c2007. 5 stars. Game / Software icon. Request button.
- 3. **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix [videorecording] / Warner Bros. Pictures : Heyday Films ;**
Brubank, CA : Warner Home Video, c2007. Full screen version. DVD icon. More info button.

The same keyword search in Millennium

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1015	Harry Potter Y El Prisionero De Azkaban	1
1016	Harry Potter Y La Camara Secreta	2
1017	Harry Potter Y La Piedra Filosofal	2
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Why the difference?

In the OPAC, multiple keyword search words are automatically combined with “and”, so that the search returns *all* items with *all* the words in them. In Millennium, however, a keyword search of multiple words is treated as an exact phrase, and the search returns *only* those items with the *entire exact phrase* in them (and in the correct order!).

You can see the difference using these three keyword searches in Millennium:

- order phoenix ---Returns no items, since the phrase “order phoenix” doesn’t exist in our catalog (above).
- order of the phoenix ---Returns items with the entire phrase “order of the phoenix” in them.
- order and phoenix--- Returns all items with *both* words “order” **and** “phoenix” in them, so it returns more items than the second search: it returns all the items of the second search plus a few items that have both the words “order” and “phoenix” --but not as a phrase.