Effective keyword searching in Millennium!

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 same keyword search in Millennium

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.