Sample Topic

Discuss the impact of ICTs on learning and teaching.

Sample Keywords:

impact, effect, influence, benefits, advantages, challenges, disadvantages; ICTs, information and communication technologies, computers, technology; learning, teaching, education, schooling, university, higher education, students, teachers...

Sample Search Strategies:

- **Modify keywords**

  When modifying keywords, consider using:

  - **phrase searching** e.g. "information and communication technologies" - used to ensure that a particular phrase appears in the search results

  - **truncation** e.g. technolog* - used to retrieve search results containing words with different endings e.g. technolog* =technology, technologies. Truncations symbols can vary depending on search tool used so check the Help or Search Tips options to check which symbol should be used.

- **Combine keywords**

  Keywords can be combined using the Boolean operators AND, OR and NOT e.g. “information and communication technology*” AND education AND (effect* OR impact) Knowing when and how to use Boolean operators effectively can greatly improve search results.

- **Apply limits**

  Investigate the options for limiting search results when searching the Web and the Library’s Collection. It may be possible to limit by date of publication, type of resource, location, subject area etc.