

# Library Online Catalog Exercise



Print your name here. \_\_\_\_\_

Want feedback on how you did? Leave us your email address. \_\_\_\_\_

Link to the library catalog: <http://usfa.kohalibrary.com/>

A. Let's get started with some general keyword search exercises. From the Main Search Menu, select General Keyword Search.

1. General Keyword Search > community risk reduction: How many hits? \_\_\_\_\_
2. General Keyword Search > "community risk reduction": How many hits? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Title Keyword Search > "community risk reduction": How many hits? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How many scholarly articles? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How many Executive Fire Officer (EFO) 4.0 papers? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What are two related topics? \_\_\_\_\_
7. For searches 1-3 above, can you briefly explain why there are fewer hits each time? \_\_\_\_\_

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B. How many materials does the library have available on the keyword phrase: "active shooter"? Remember to select the Keyword search option and enter the phrase ""active shooter" in quotation marks.

1. How many hits did you get? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many scholarly articles include this expression? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How many EFO Graded 4.0 papers? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Are there any dissertations or theses written from a fire service perspective? \_\_\_\_\_

Name one title \_\_\_\_\_

C. You'd like to find some recent scholarly articles on the topic of fire department "home visit" programs. Is this a subject heading in the library catalog? \_\_\_\_\_

Enter a subject search for this topic. \_\_\_\_\_

1. How many scholarly articles are there? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many EFO papers? \_\_\_\_\_



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D. Find the citation to an article entitled "Utilizing GIS technology to improve fire prevention activities in an urban fire department."

What journal was it published in? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the year of publication? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there an abstract or summary available to read somewhere? \_\_\_\_\_

Where can you find this article in the library? \_\_\_\_\_

Is it scholarly? \_\_\_\_\_

Was this exercise worthwhile? Did you learn anything new about our collections or how to search them more effectively? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything you'd like to see done differently? \_\_\_\_\_

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