



Book Search Tips

Looking for a book? Follow these steps (in order) to find the books you need.

- 1a. Check the MLC catalog for books in the MLC library.
 - If the book says "available," find the book on the shelves in the library using its call number.
 - Ask a library staff member for help if needed.



MLC Catalog

- 1b. Check <u>Discovery</u> for MLC ebooks.
 - If prompted for a login, use your Portal login information.
 - You may be able to save, download, or print part or all of an ebook.
 - You can also find full-text articles in Discovery.



MLC Discovery

- 2. Check the TdS catalog for books from area libraries. (Allow 2-5 days.)
 - Use the "Request It" button to have the book sent to MLC for you.
 - Log in with your student ID barcode and <u>library password</u>.
 - Bonus! You can go to any TdS library and check out books with your student ID, then return them to the MLC library when you're done.



TdS Catalog

- 3. Check MNLINK for books from Minnesota libraries. (Allow 5-10 days.)
 - Use the "Request Item" button to have the book sent to MLC for you.
 - Log in with your student ID barcode. Leave the password field blank. Set the pickup location to "My Library."
 - On the request page, enter any additional information and click "Request."
 - You may also request articles through MNLINK. Ebooks cannot be borrowed.
- 4. Check Worldcat for books from US libraries. (Allow 1-3 weeks.)
 - Fill in the red fields in the form. Click "Submit."
 - You may also request articles through MNLINK. Ebooks cannot be borrowed.



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