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Because DELCAT Discovery is

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designed to expose researchers to related content that might

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be helpful, and because it searches items owned by libraries

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around the world, finding a specific item can sometimes

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be tricky. This video will show you some tricks that you can use

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when searching for known items. Giving DELCAT

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Discovery very specific directions

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by using search commands, is the key to getting specific

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results.

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In the following search, notice the many different results that come

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up when searching for a title without using any search command.

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However, when adding in commands such as quotation marks,

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which tell the system to search for this as an exact phrase,

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more specific - and sometimes more relevant - items can

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be found.

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The book version of "A Game

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of Thrones" rises to the top of our results, and there are many

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related items displayed here, including television series, graphic novels,

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and more, which have the same - or similar - titles.

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If you only wish to see one type of format, use the format options to limit your

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results to just one type of resource. Notice how

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our search has been entered at the top of the screen. When we selected "Title"

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at the beginning of our search, TI: was

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entered into the system, which commands DELCAT Discovery to

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search for these words as keywords within the title first,

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and then search for keywords in other areas of

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the record, such as the table of contents. Because we are not only

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searching words in the title, this means we may occasionally see puzzling results like this

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one, [The Life of Thomas More book is on display] in which the title does not match, but

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keywords are present somewhere in the record.

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[The words "Games" and "Throne" are circled in the record's "Contents" section.]

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[The words "Games" and "Throne" are circled in the record's "Contents" section.]

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Consult the search tips section of the DELCAT Discovery guide,

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for more search commands that can help you to search for specific authors

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and subject keywords. If you find

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that using TI: to search for keywords within

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the title field isn't working for you, you can also try to

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search an exact title by using the TI=

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command. This will search for content only

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in the title field. Note how this small

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change to the search command has changed your results. Now everything

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that is included has "Game of Thrones" in the title field.

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In all of the

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previous examples, the desired item has been returned as the

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first record within many other results,

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but what if you don't see the item that you're looking for at all?

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Let's say you want to see if the Library has this book [Ian Stewart's "Nature's Numbers" book is displayed].

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First, make sure you have typed in the whole title,

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without spelling errors. It sometimes happens that items share part, or all of their titles,

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so try to be specific.

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Another snag that you may run into is that you may not see the book that you

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are seeking in the results at all.

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In this case, try re-sorting your results. DELCAT

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Discovery preferences items held here at UD, so if you do not see your item

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at first, check to see if it is held at another library, by switching the drop-

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down sort menu to "Relevance Only".

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If you still do not see your book, try Google or Amazon to verify that you

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have the correct title, spelling or author name--if you are searching by author. There are many other ways to make

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DELICAT Discovery work for you. If you're having trouble finding what you need, please

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contact a Librarian for help by clicking on "Ask the Library" on the home page,

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or by visiting us at the Reference Desk.

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