Sample Search Strategy

1. Write down your topic in few sentences:
   *I want to look at how U.S. theatres are responding to economic crisis.*

2. What are the keywords for your topic?
   - Theatre
   - Economic Crisis
   - U.S.

3. What are some other ways to say your topic (synonyms or specific examples)?
   - Theatre
   - Economic Crisis
   - U.S.
   - Theater
   - Financial Crisis
   - United States
   - Recession

4. Build a search by combining your search terms using Boolean logic (AND, OR, NOT):

   theatre OR theater

   AND

   Economic Crisis OR Financial Crisis OR Recession

   AND

   U.S. OR United States
Boolean Searching

**OR** Broadens a search

Search terms: “Economic Crisis” **OR** Recession

Your search will find articles that contain either keyword.
Boolean Searching

**AND** Narrows a search

Search terms: “Economic Crisis” **AND** theatre

Your search will find articles that include both keywords.