- All student hub live sessions are non-modular and focus on skills relevant to study at university level
- Polls are anonymous to other participants, but the chat box will have your logged in name associated with your comments during the live session.
- All online sessions are recorded and available to view on catch up on a public facing website.
- Slides and resources are available to download during the session from 'file downloads box (*not accessible on mobile devices*) and from within the event's page at <u>http://studenthublive.open.ac.uk/</u>



Workshop

- This is going to be a structured workshop to help you understand research skills
- It is not subject related as we have people from all over the university on the session
- There is a lot of interaction so please be ready to answer polls (questions) or add to chat pod during the session

Please be aware

- These sessions are large scale
- They are very busy
- There is lots of interaction
- They are not the same as other tutorials
- Chat may be off topic that's OK
- You can maximise slides on your own screen by clicking the icon



Please

- Do NOT share any personal information in the chat pod during the session
- On the recording names will be anonymised to user number
- However if you type anyone's full name or any other personal information in the chat pod it can be seen by everybody and it would also show up on the recording

Student Hub Live: Let's talk research: Q&A with OU Librarians

Jo Elliot and Rache Stone





Poll question

When looking for academic information, where do you start searching?



Where can I find quality information?

- Library Search/Library website
- Library resources page
- References in module pages
- Google Scholar



Poll question: peer-review

Which is the correct definition of peer-reviewed?

A) A process by which experts in the field review an article for its academic quality

B) A process by which you and your peers review an article together



Peer-review answer

Which is the correct definition of peer-reviewed?

A) A process by which experts in the field review an article for its academic quality



Why should I use the online library?

- Available 24/7
- Quality information
- Access to peer reviewed articles
- Access to subscription resources
- Easy to search and filter results
- Range of information e.g. books, journals, images, newspapers and much more





What do I search for?

- Authors
- Titles
- Keywords
- Citations



How do I get started?

- Think about what you might need and where you might find it
- Consider keywords
- Search techniques e.g. phrase searching and Boolean searching
- Keywords
- Authors
- References in module pages



When do I need to start recording references?

- Keep a record as you search and do not leave it until the end
- Most references tell the reader of the Who, When, What and Where of the source
- Library '<u>Referencing and plagiarism</u>' pages
- Cite Them Right
- Bibliographic management tools



Poll question: referencing

Do you know what is missing from this reference?

de Somogyi, N. 'Shakespeare's Polar Bears', *New Theatre Quarterly*, 40(4), pp. 305–328. Available at: https://doi.org/10.1017/S0266464X24000277.

A) Publisher B) Date C) Author



Reference answer

de Somogyi, N. (2024) 'Shakespeare's Polar Bears', *New Theatre Quarterly*, 40(4), pp. 305–328. Available at: https://doi.org/10.1017/S0266464X24000277.

B) Date

The date of publication should appear in brackets after the author's name.

This is a journal reference so it does not need the publisher's details.





How do I evaluate?

- Use a framework such as <u>PROMPT</u>
- Look out for Peer-reviewed articles
- Evaluating ensures you are using appropriate academic sources
- Critical thinking is an important skill for study and for life





Who can I ask for help?

- Library Helpdesk
- Tutors
- Library website
- Library sessions/recordings



Poll question: research tips

What tips are you going to try?

Do you have a research tip to share?



Take home message

- Use the OU library
- > Plan your search in advance
- Save searches
- Record references
- Remember the Library Helpdesk is there to help



Feedback please

- Please use the following link to provide feedback to help the studenthublive team to continue to improve what we do
- https://forms.office.com/e/asUXE4xqfB



Next SHL events

- > 24 Jun 7 pm SHL summer party inspiration and creativity
- OI Jul 7 pm Applying other people's ideas with confidence
- > 08 Jul 4 pm Taking stock of study
- > 10 Jul 11 am Keeping motivation

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