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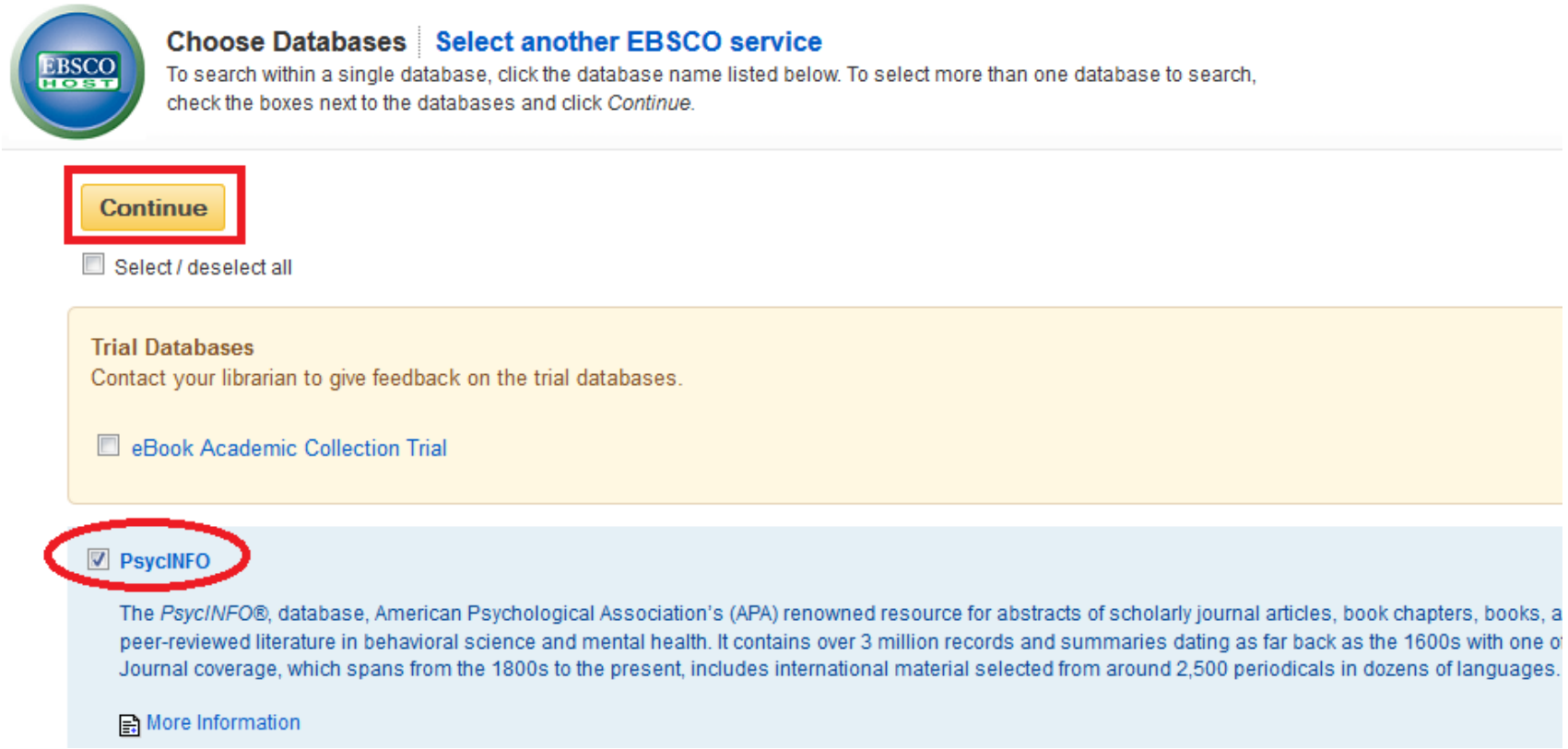

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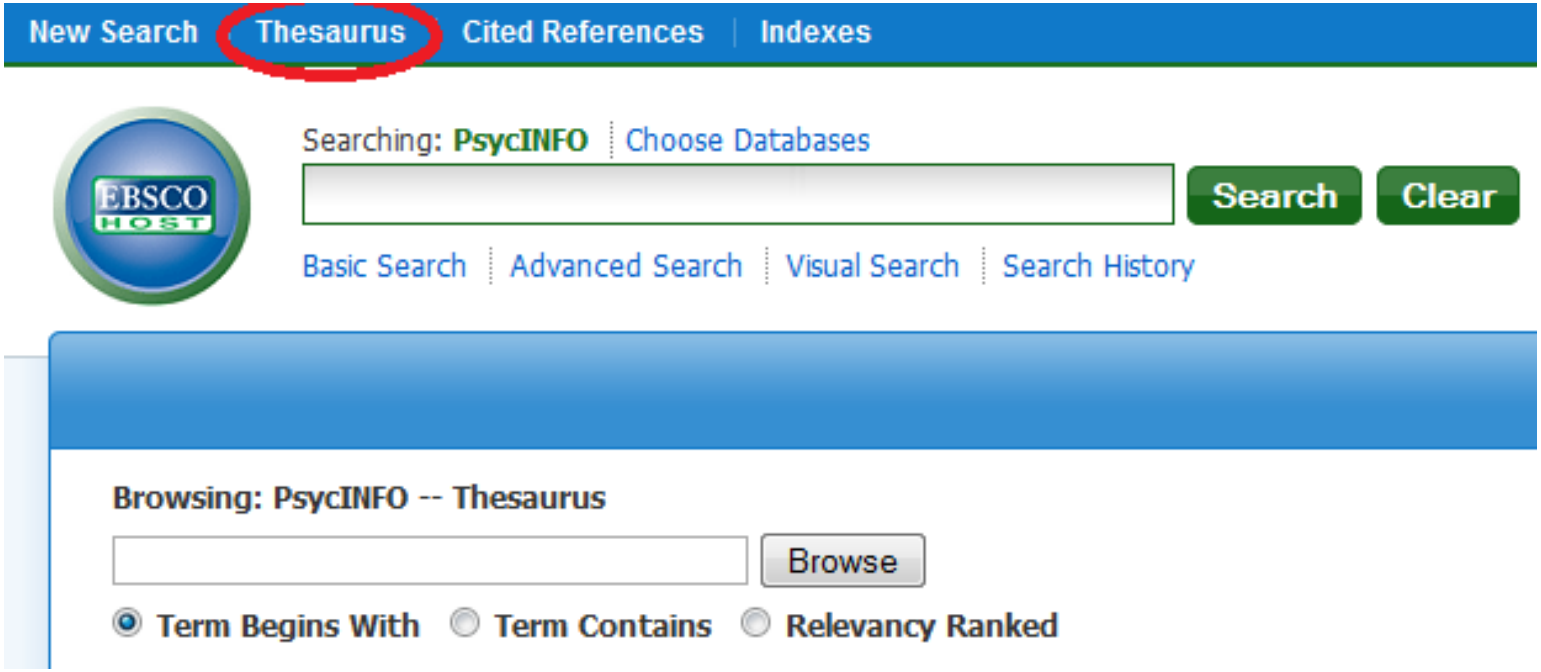

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- **We are interested in perform a search on:**

VIDEOGAMES

AND

TRAIT SELF-CONTROL

OR

TRAIT AGGRESSION

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- **Write down your keyword (try using a broad term and/or truncation).**
  - **Select "Term Contains". Click on Browse.**

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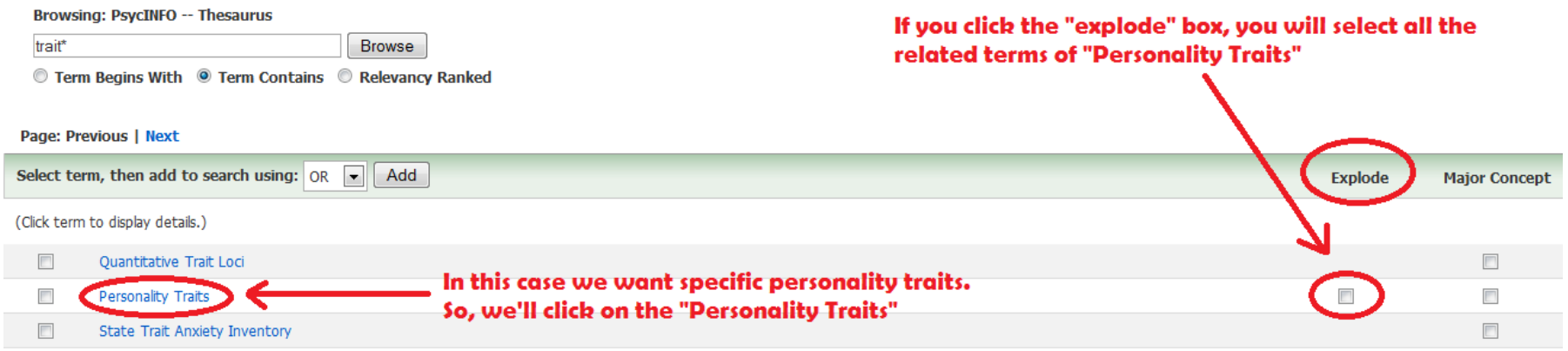
- Click on “Personality Traits” to see the related terms (narrower or broader).



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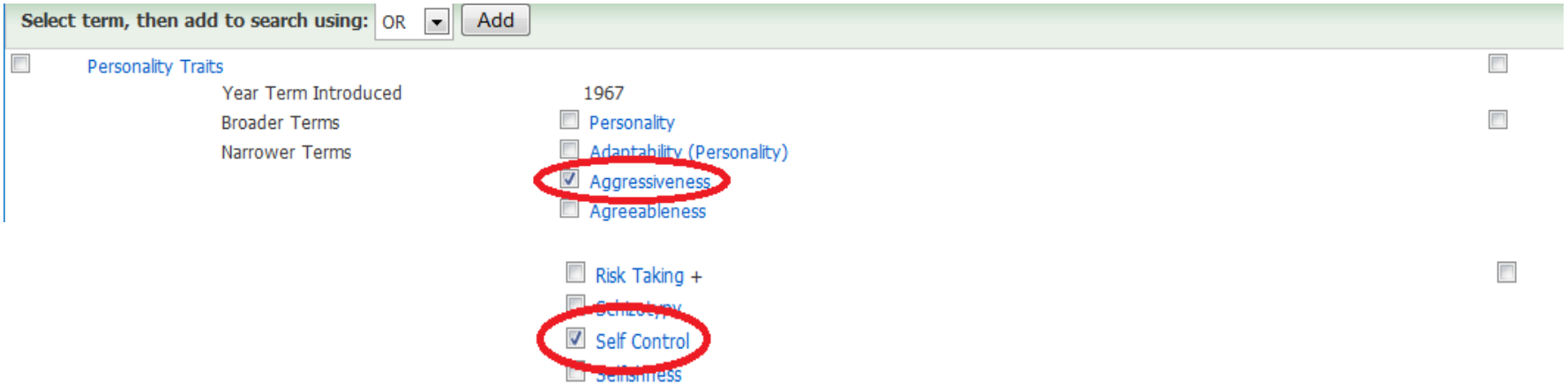
- **According to our search, select "Aggressiveness" and "Self Control"**



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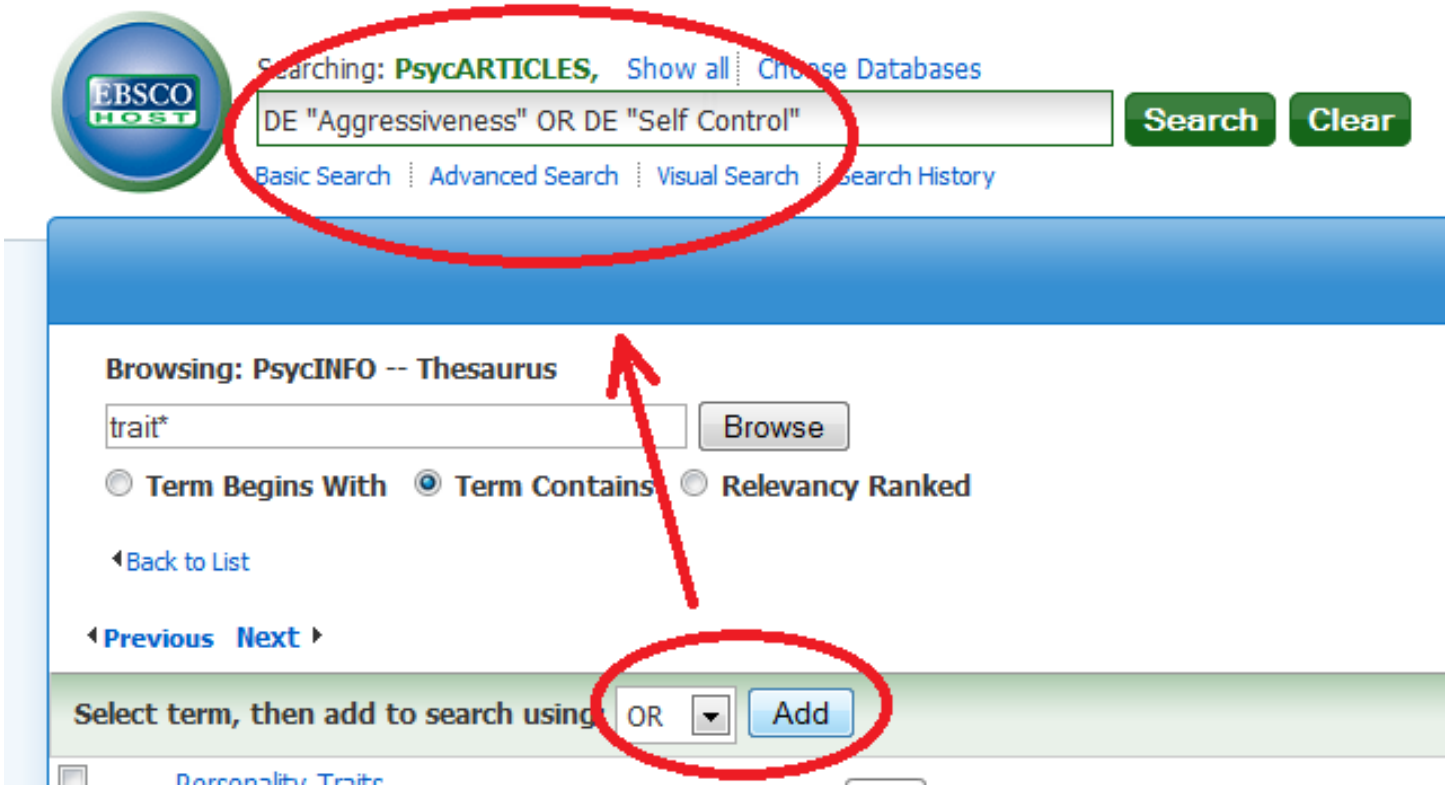
- We add the terms with the Boolean operator "OR"



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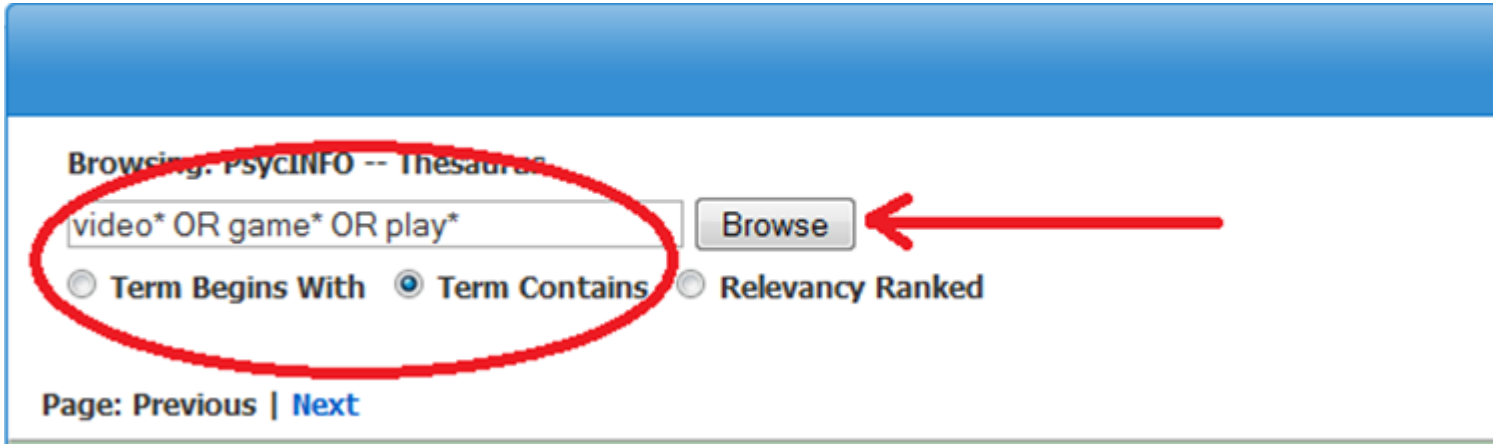
- **Now, search for the other term of the search (videogames).**
  - **Try with different terms using the operator "OR".**



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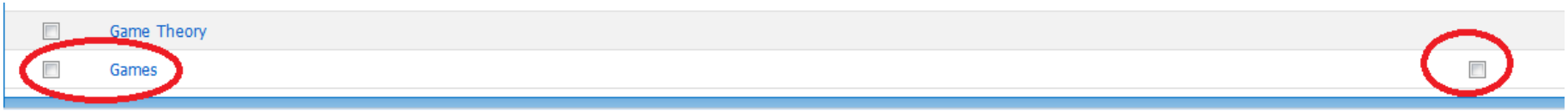
- Click on the term “Games”.
  - Because it’s a broad term, it has the “explode” box which means there are terms related.



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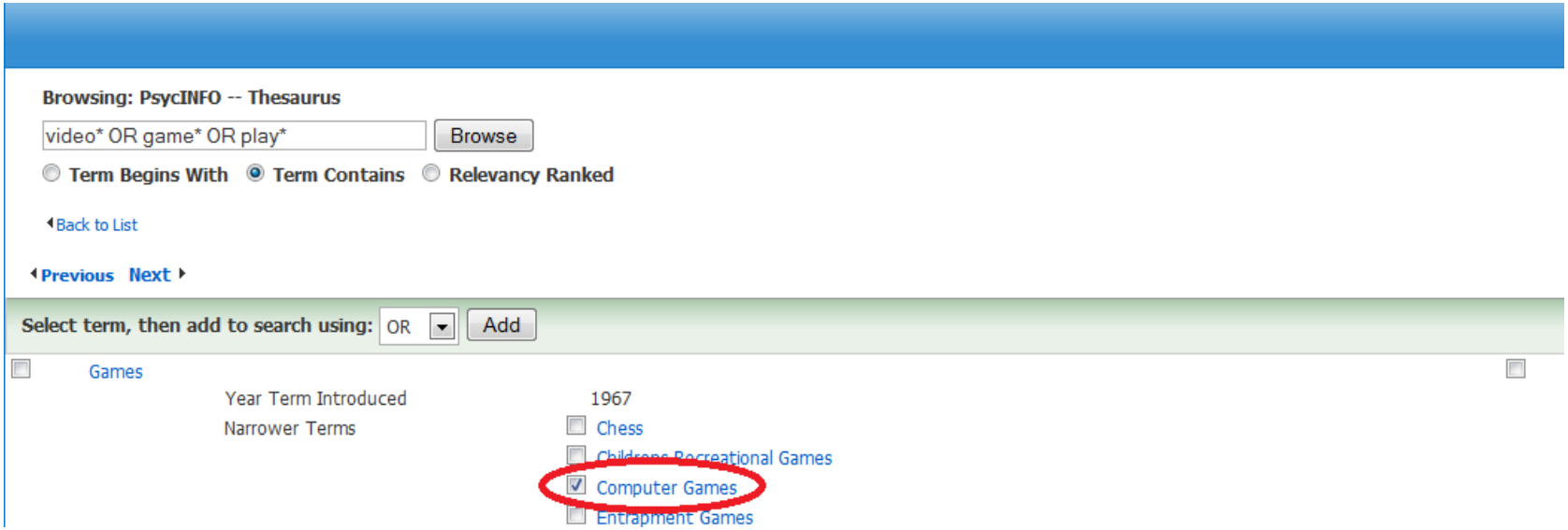
- **Select the term "Computer Games" because is the term most related for my search.**



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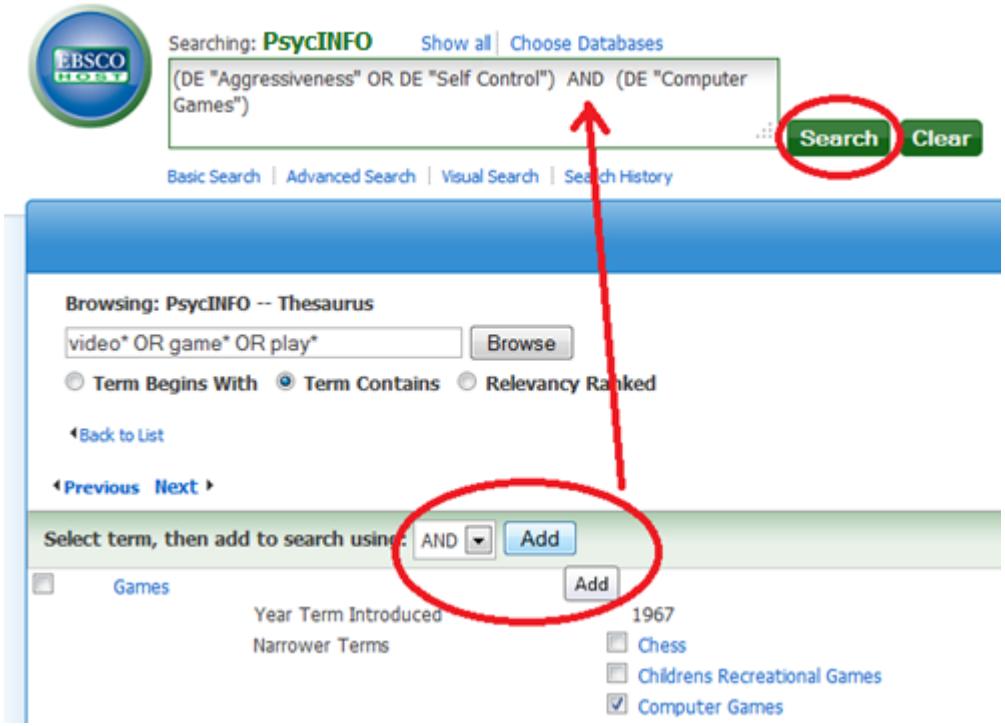
- Select the operator "AND", then click on "Add" to add the term in the search box. Finally, click on the search button.



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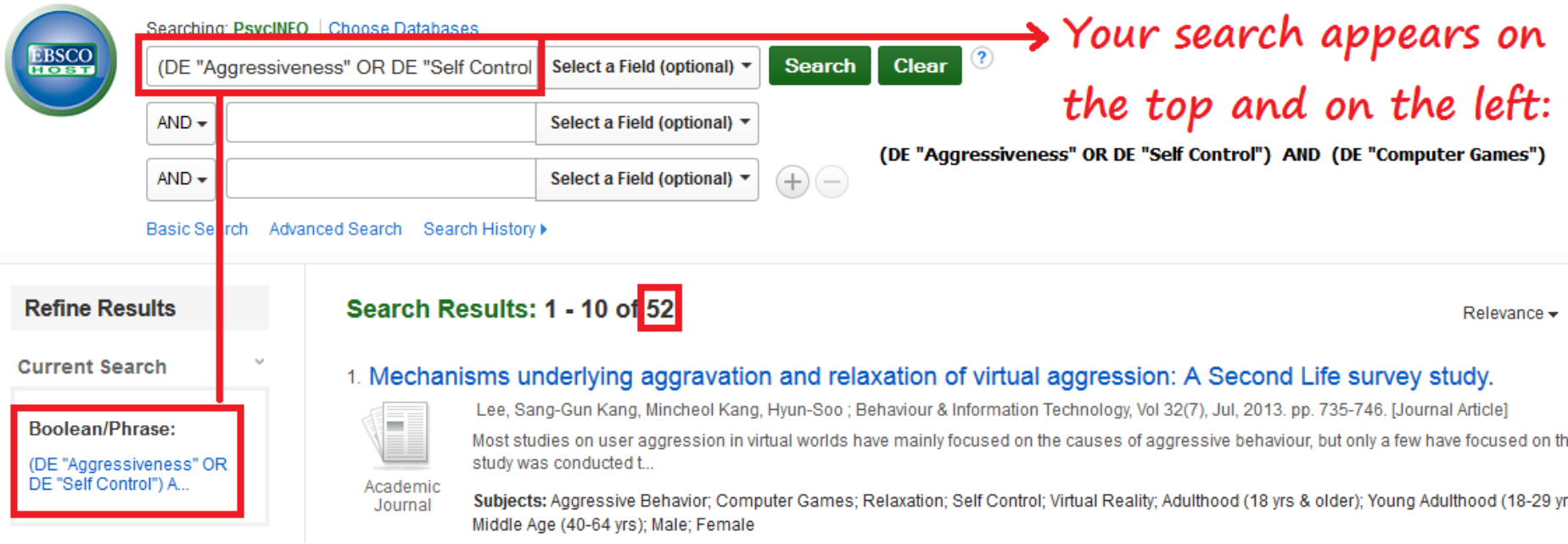
- You should have approx. 60 results.

(DE "Aggressiveness" OR DE "Self Control") AND DE "Computer Games"



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APPLYING LIMITS (PsycINFO – THESAURUS)

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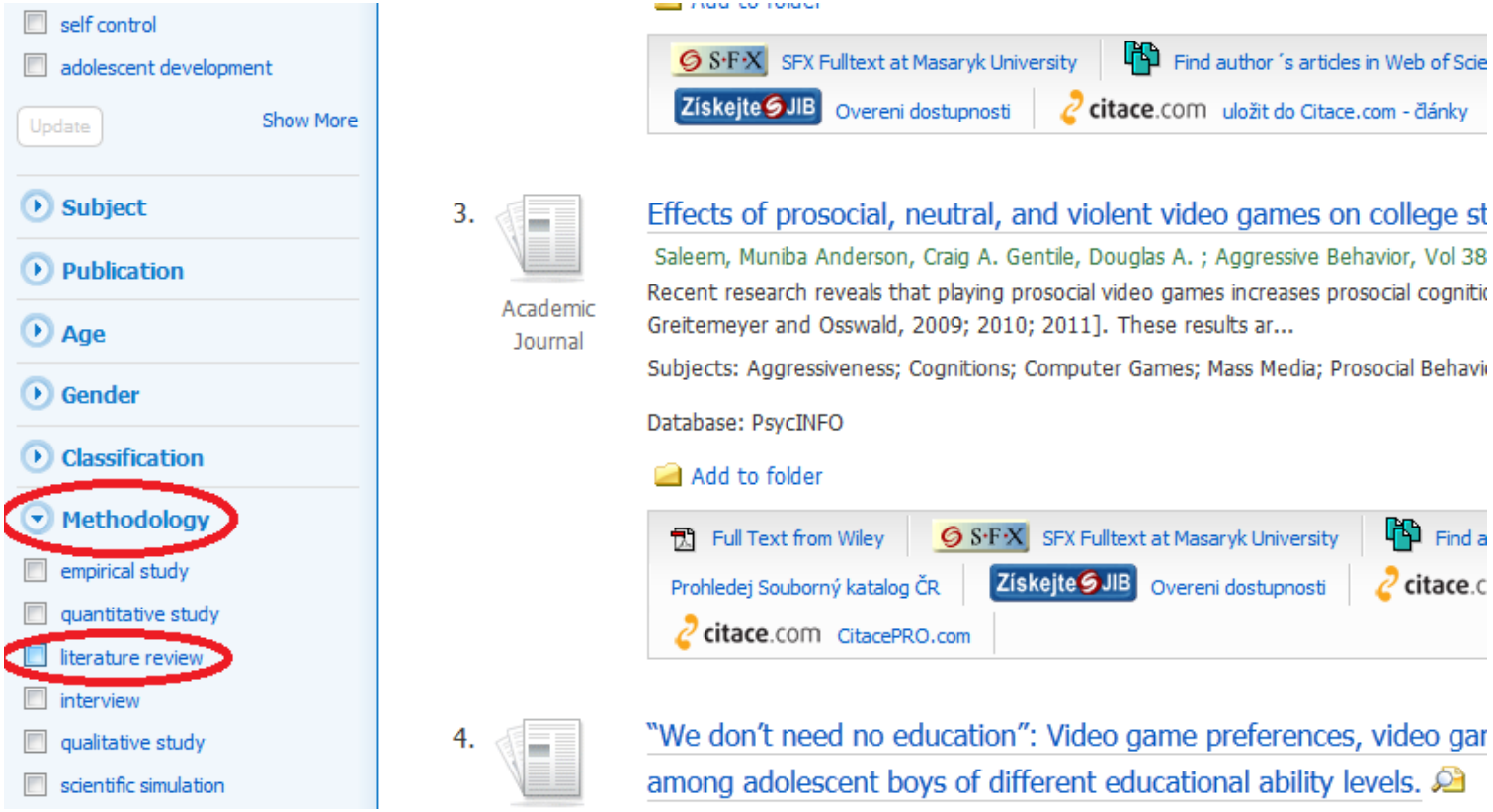
- If we want a review study.
- Methodology -> *Show More* -> "literature review".



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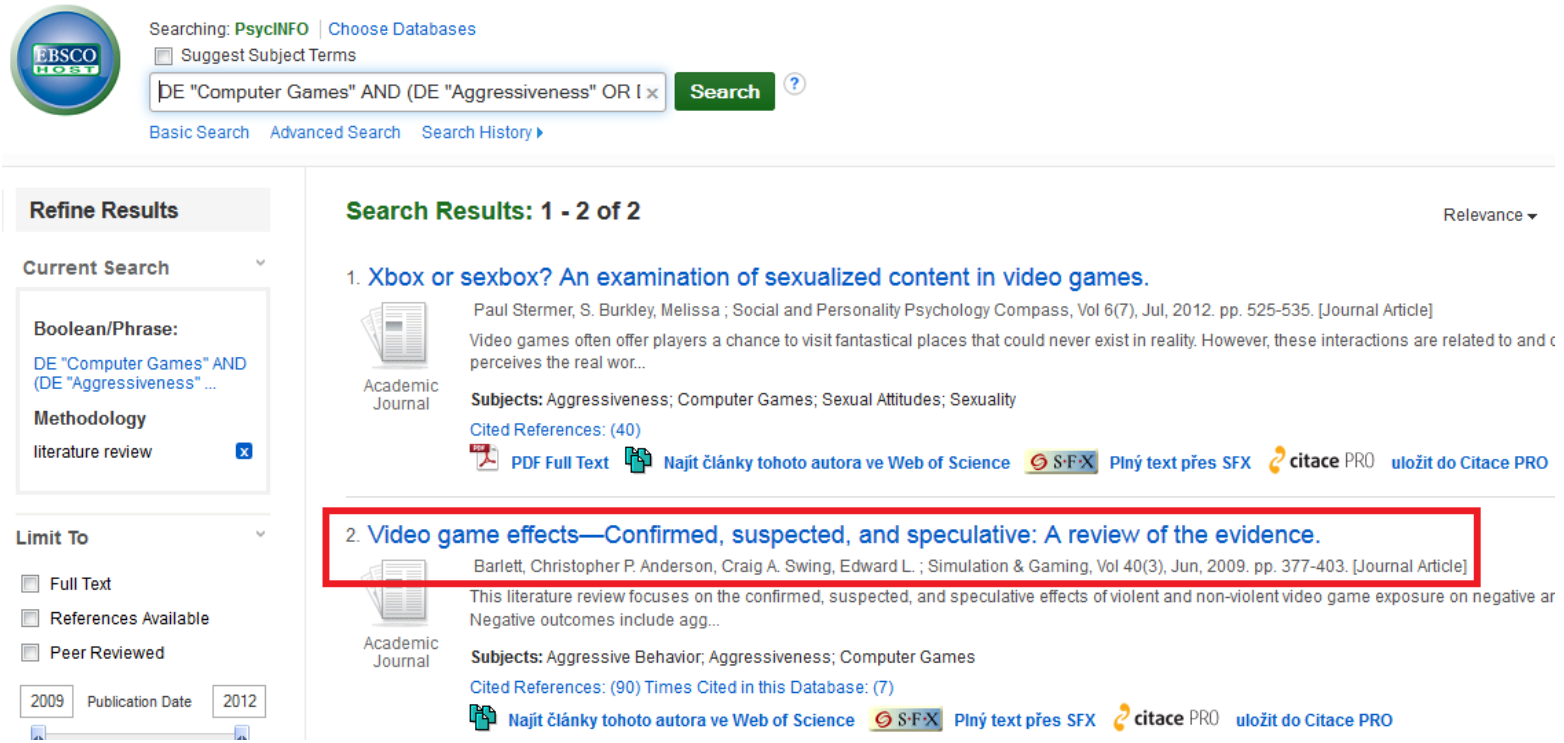
- As you can see, there are now only 2 results, and the second one seems to be important.



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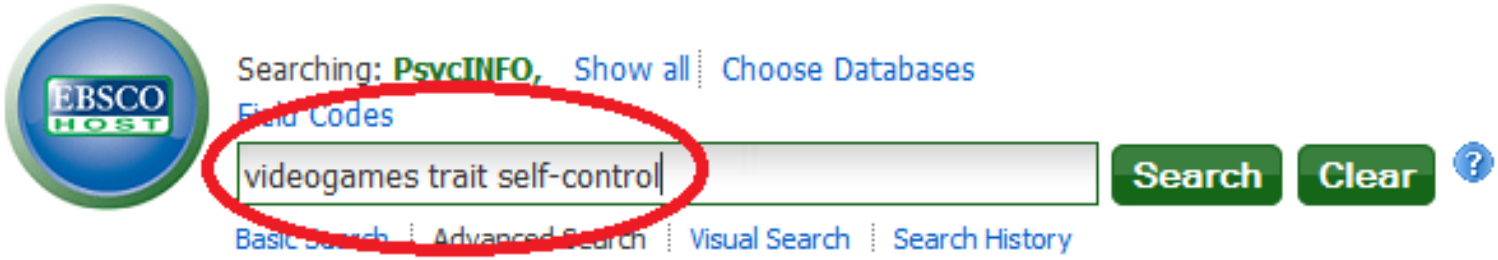
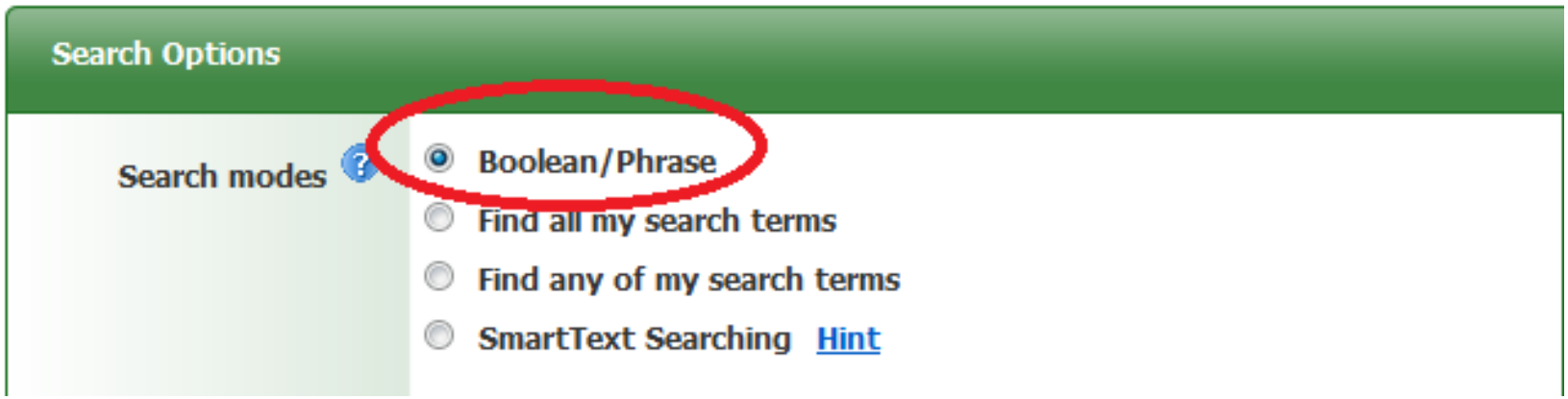
- This is the simplest search (Partial Match) and the Boolean/Phrase search is used by default.





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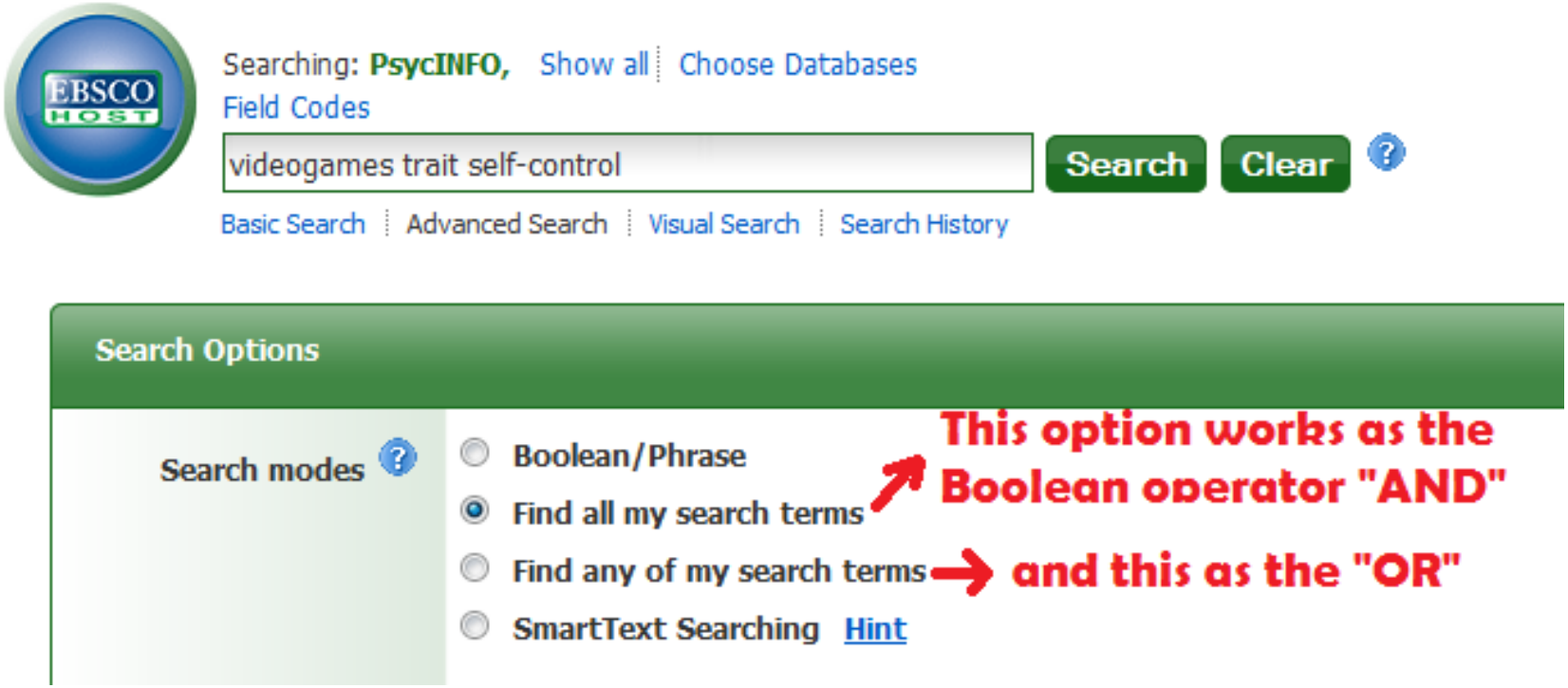
- Options working as Boolean operators (“AND”, “OR”).



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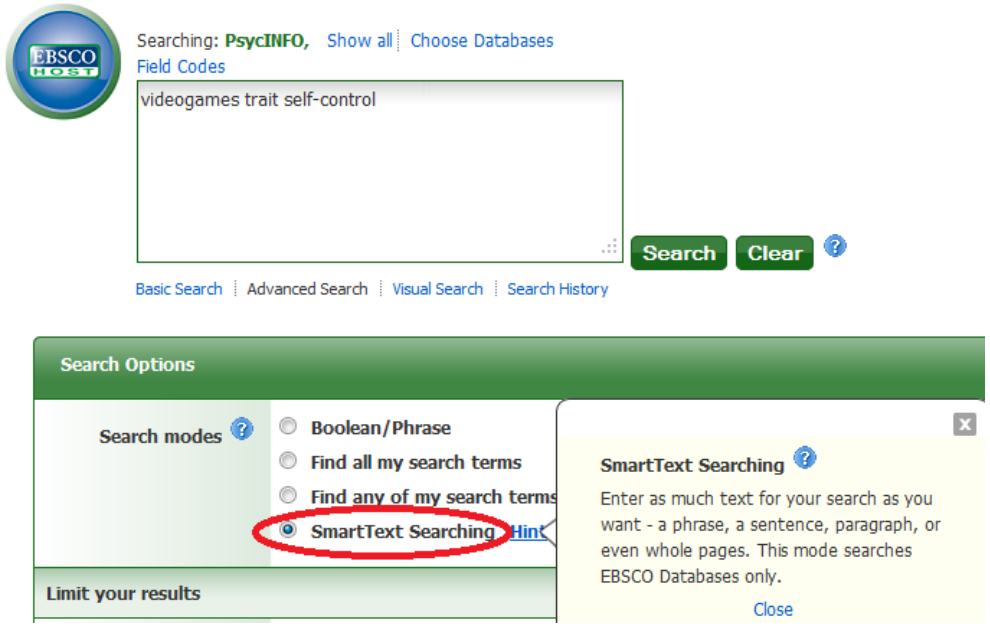
- **SmartText Searching is a natural language search strategy that allows you to enter as much text for their search as you want – a phrase, a sentence, paragraph, or even whole pages. The final results are based on the Boolean operator "OR".**



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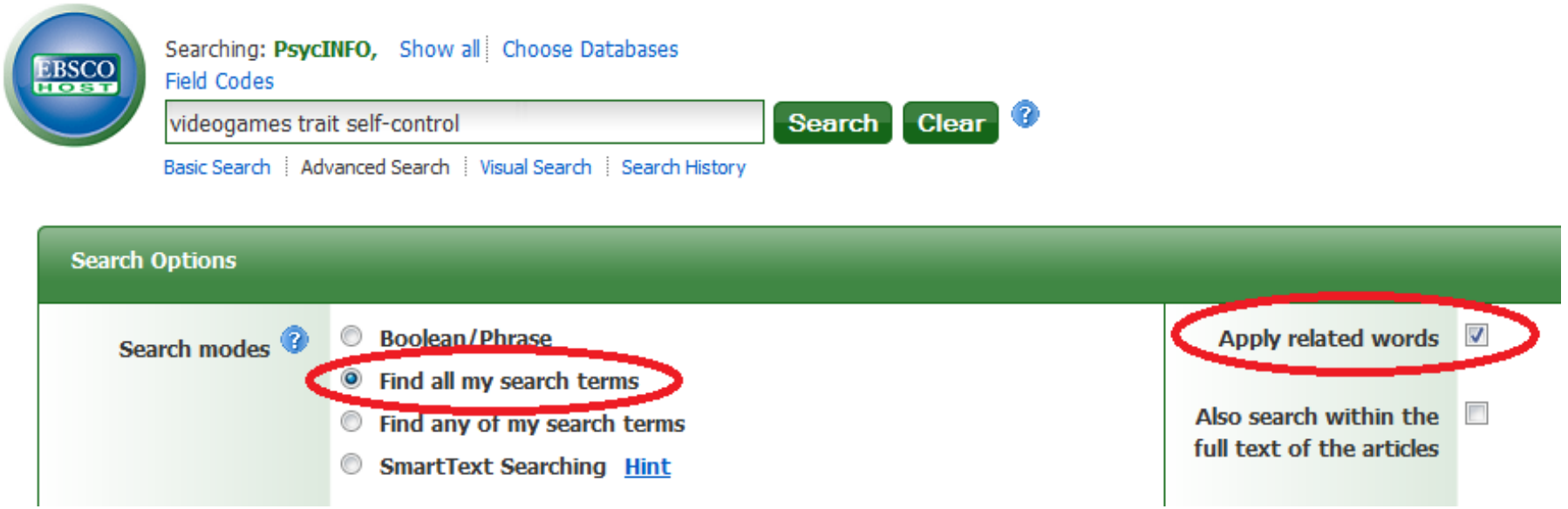
- An interesting strategy is using all your search terms but including related words (e.g. synonyms).



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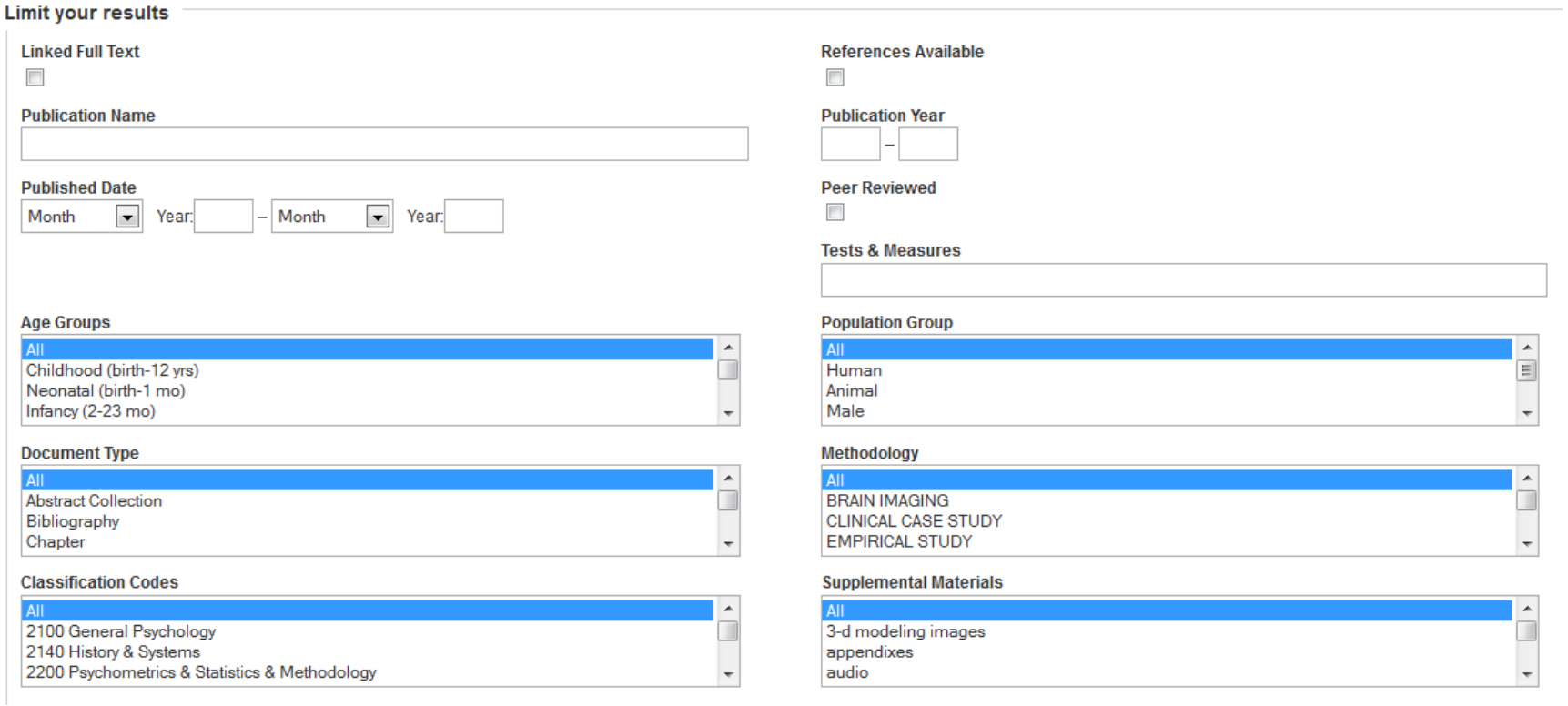
- You may limit your results.



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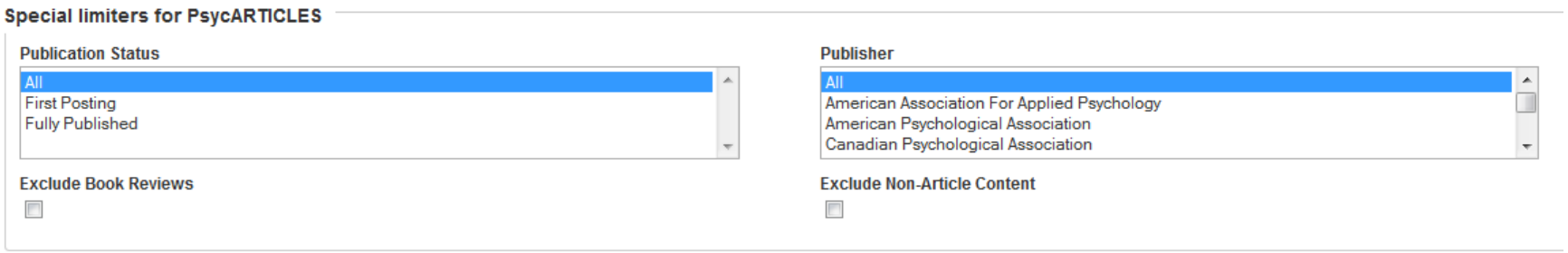
- **PsyARTICLES additionally has other limit options.**



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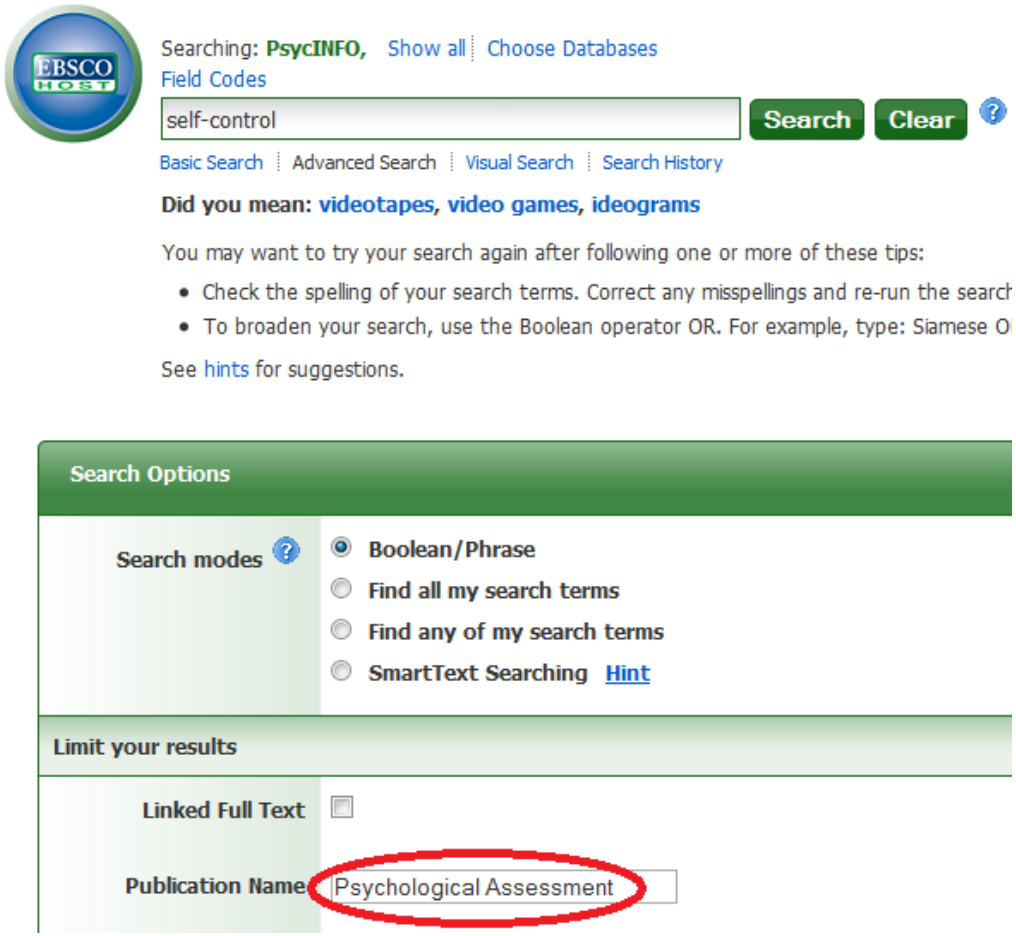
- You can limit by Publication Name.



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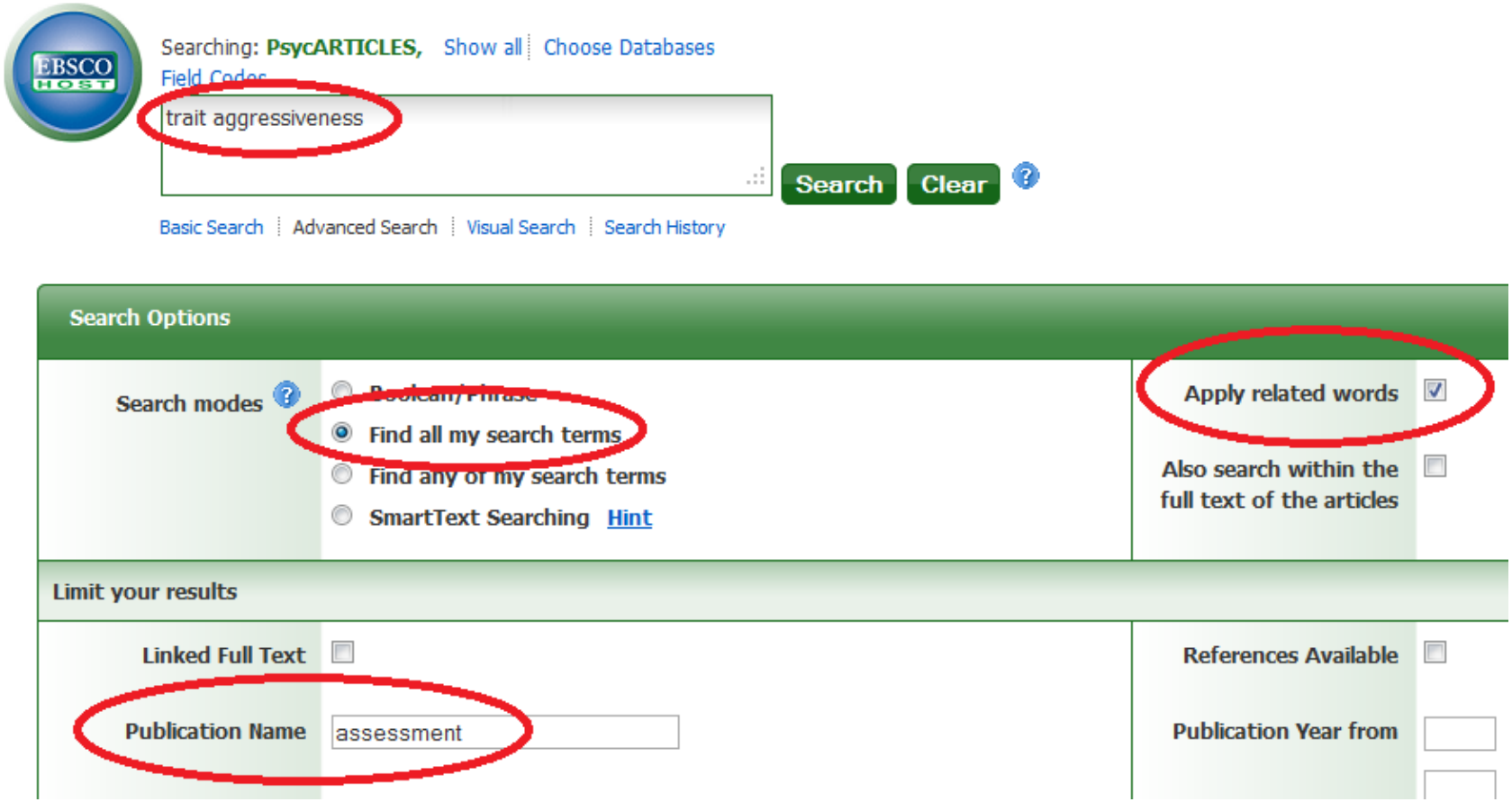
- This is one of the different ways to find an instrument on a specific topic. TRANSLATE THIS SEARCH!



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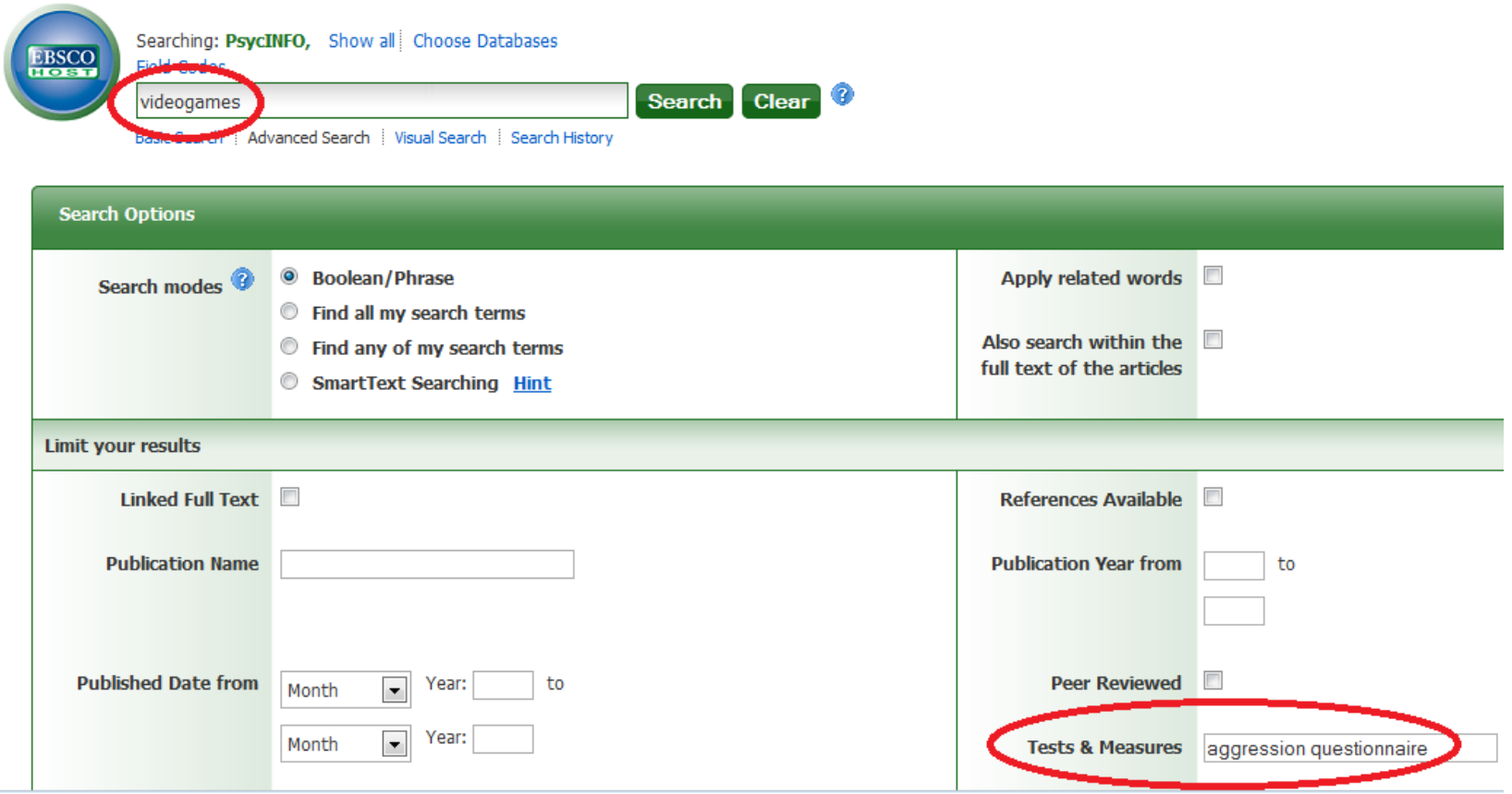
- If you are going to use a specific instrument in your research, you may include it in your search strategy.



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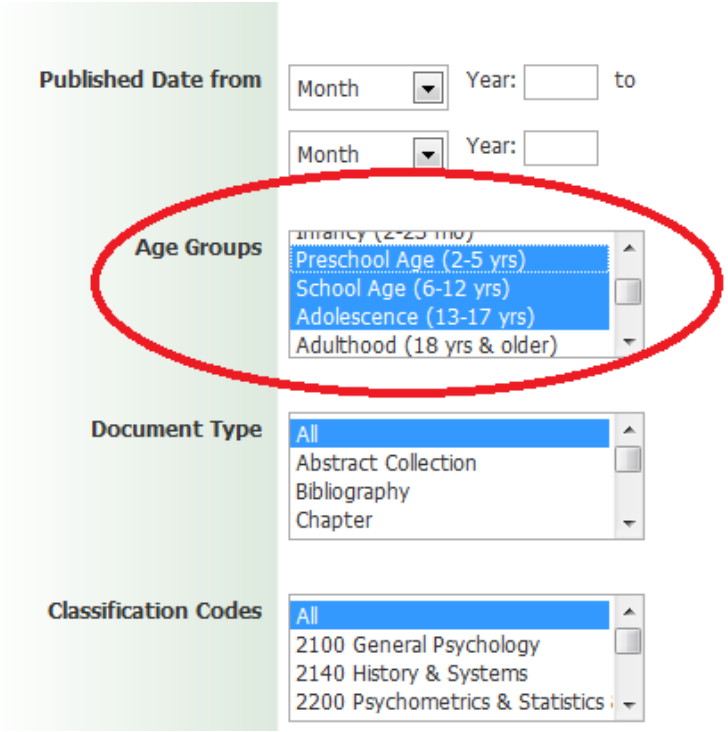
- If you are interested in children and adolescents, use the Age Groups limit.

- However, you should consider the limitations (e.g. results couldn't include a longitudinal study with adolescents that became young adults).



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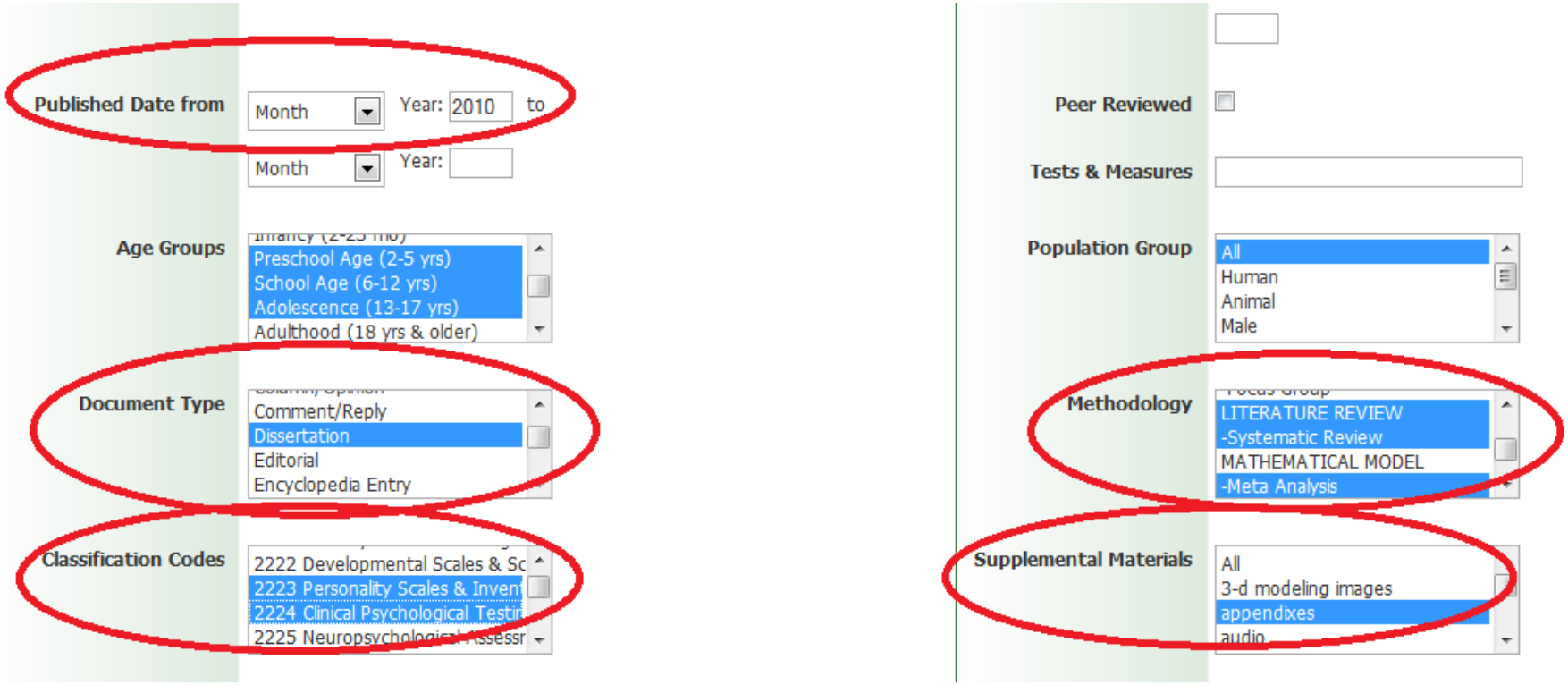
- You can select several limits. But remember:

more limits = less results



SEARCH OPERATORS USING PsycINFO

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- **Remember the use of:**

  Truncation (*) and Wildcards (?, #)

  - ***psy**** = *psychology, psychiatry, psychosis, etc.*

  - *ne?t* = *next, nest, neat (not net)*
  - *Internali?ation = internalization, internalisation*

  - *behavio#r* = *behavior, behaviour (not plural)*
  - *colo#r#* = *color, colour (incl. plural)*

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- **Remember the use of:**

  Proximity (N or W)

  - **tax N5 reform = tax reform, reform of income tax, etc.**

  - **tax W8 reform = tax reform (but would not match *reform of income tax*).**

FIELD CODES IN PsycINFO

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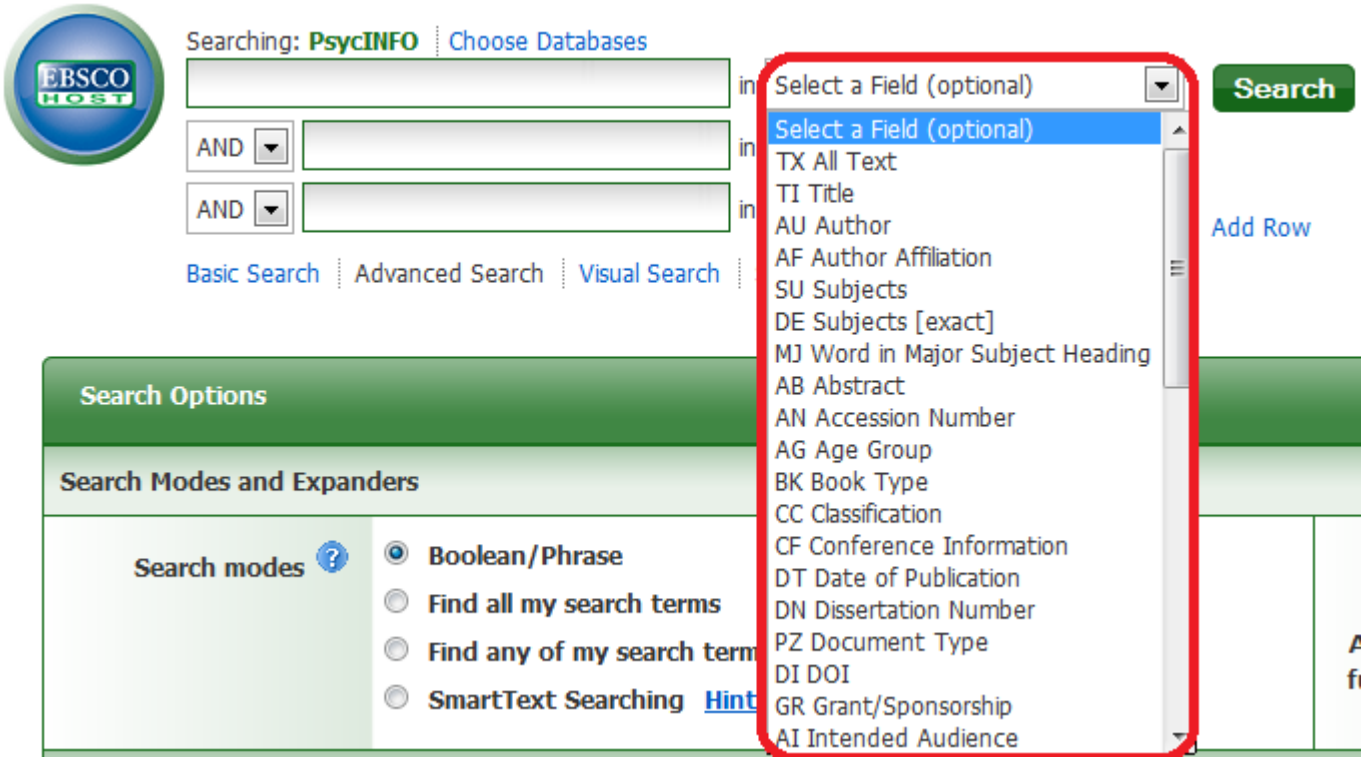
- **FIELD CODES: PsycINFO has several field codes.**



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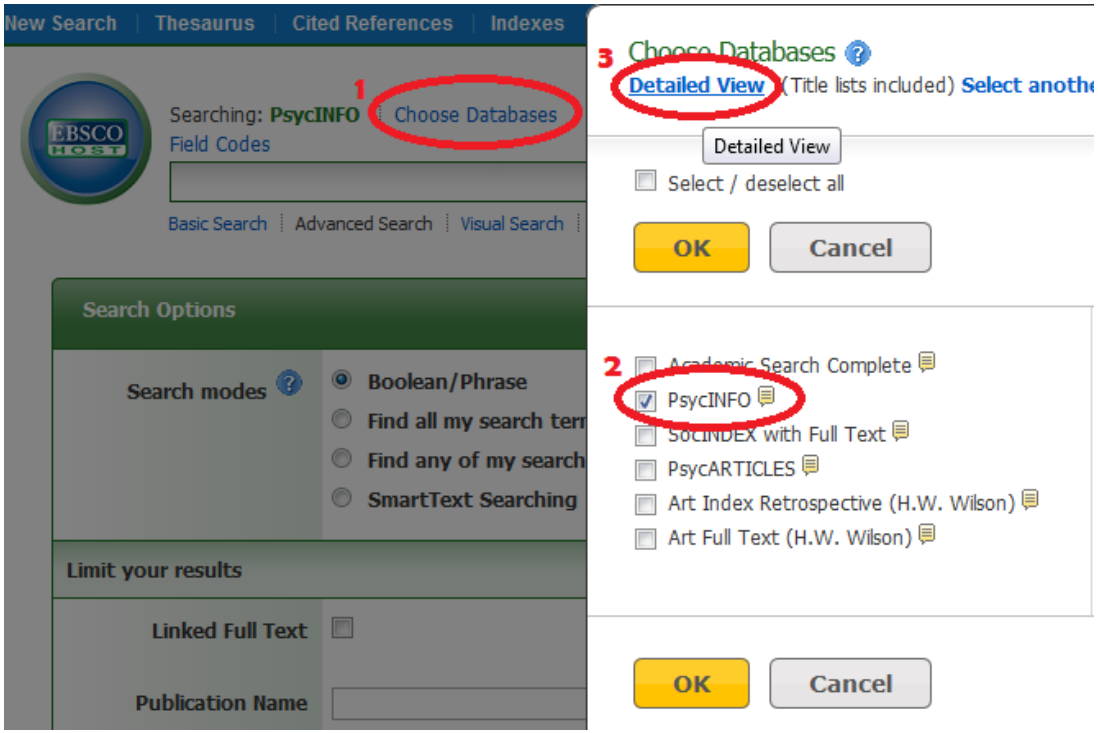

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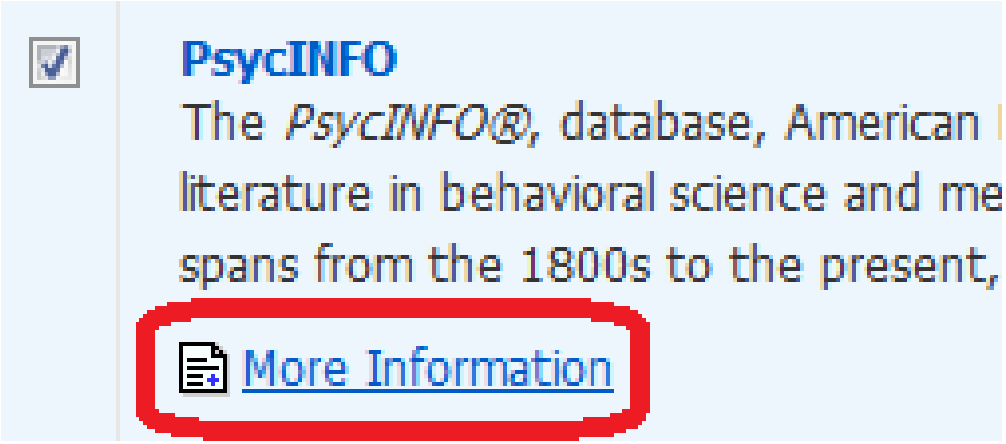

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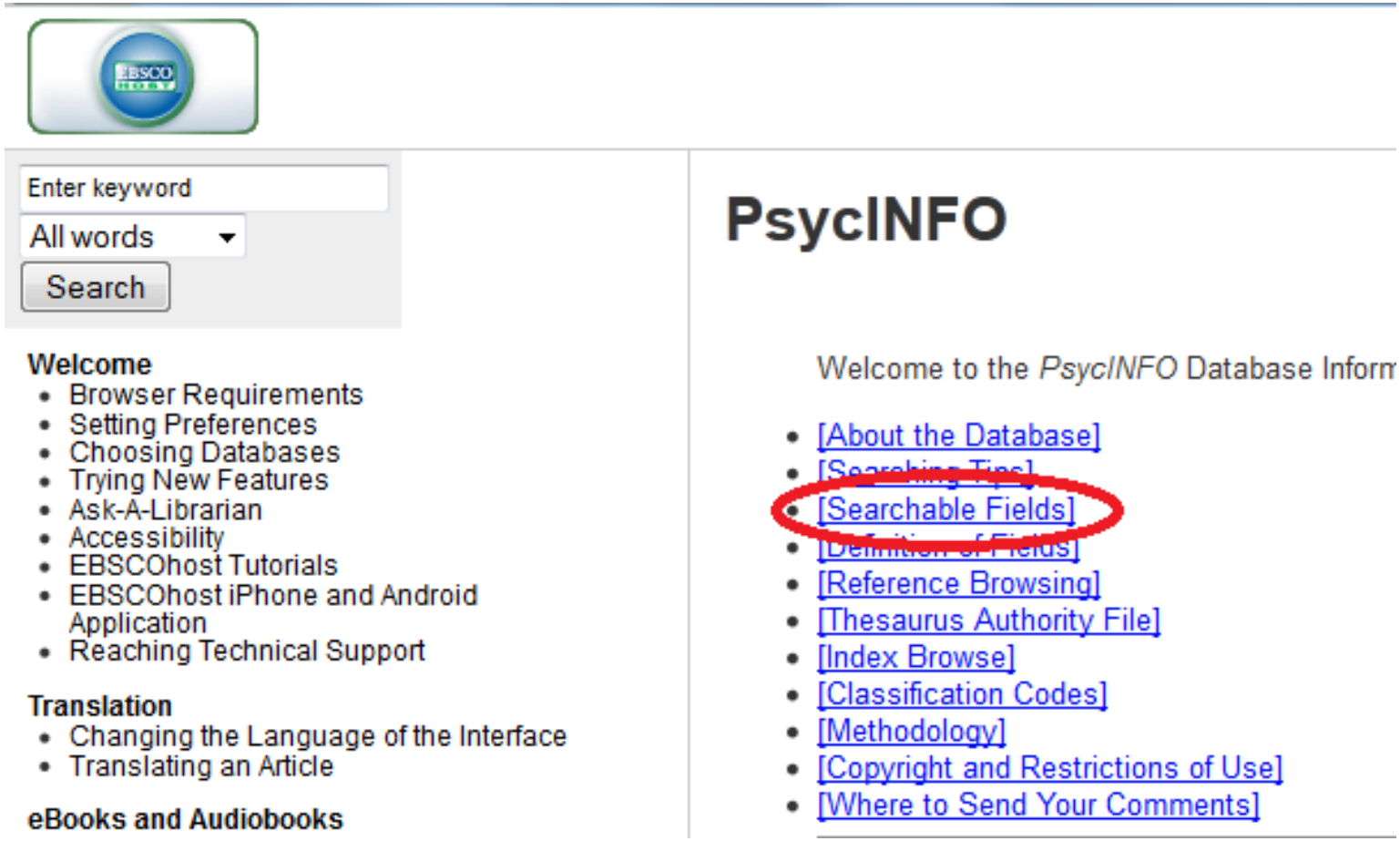
- **Click on Searchable Fields.**



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- **Here you will see all the field codes and examples about how to use them.**

Searchable Fields

The default fields for unqualified searches consist of the following: Title, Translated Title, Classification Codes, Abstract, Keyword, Subjects, and Author.

The following list will help you locate detailed information referenced in this database as a field.

Searchable tag	Description	Example
AB	Abstract [Word Indexed] Searches the abstract summaries for keywords.	AB Art Therapy
AE	Age Group (Exact) [Phrase Indexed] Searches for the exact match of age groups identified in a document.	AE "Infancy (2-23 mo)"
AF	Author Affiliation [Word Indexed] Searches for keywords in the institutional affiliation of the person(s) responsible for creation of the document.	AF Clark University
AG	Age Group [Word Indexed] Searches age groups identified in a document; values consist of the following:	AG Infancy

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- In this example we'll use 2 field codes (AU, TI), 1 Boolean operator (AND), truncation (*) and proximity (N5).
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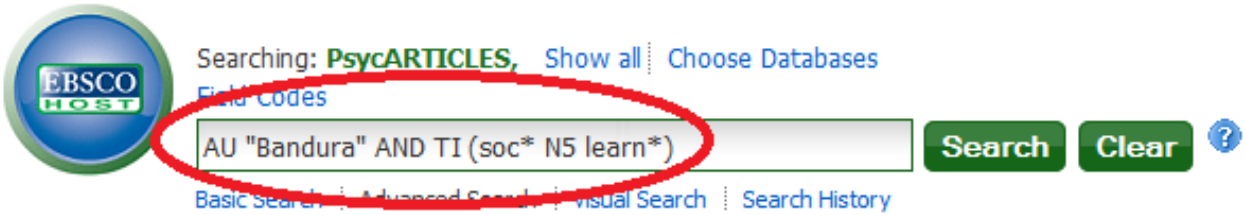

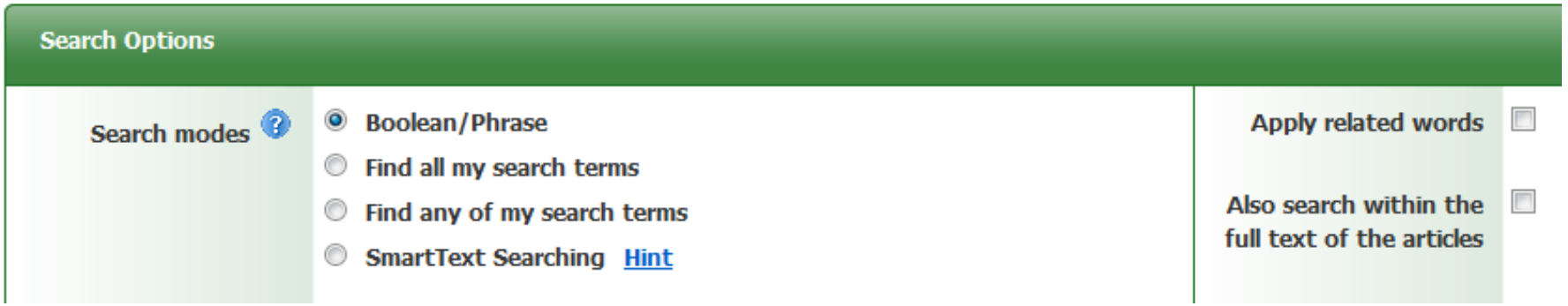

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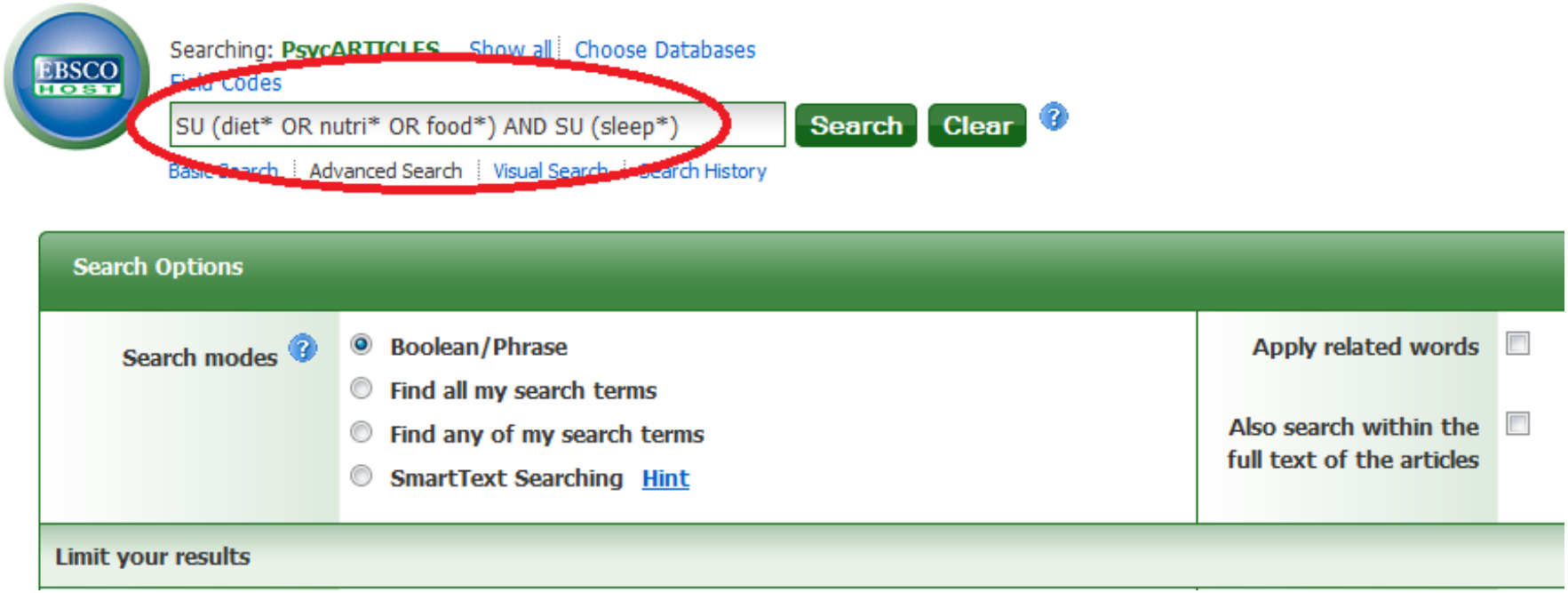
- This is another example using field codes (SU), and Boolean operators (OR, AND). TRANSLATE IT!



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- **EXERCISE:**

Boolean operator **OR**

+

Truncation *

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Two keywords with:

Truncation *****

separated by:

Proximity **W or N**

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- **EXERCISE:**

Boolean operator	**OR or AND**
+	
Field Code	**TI**
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Proximity	**W**

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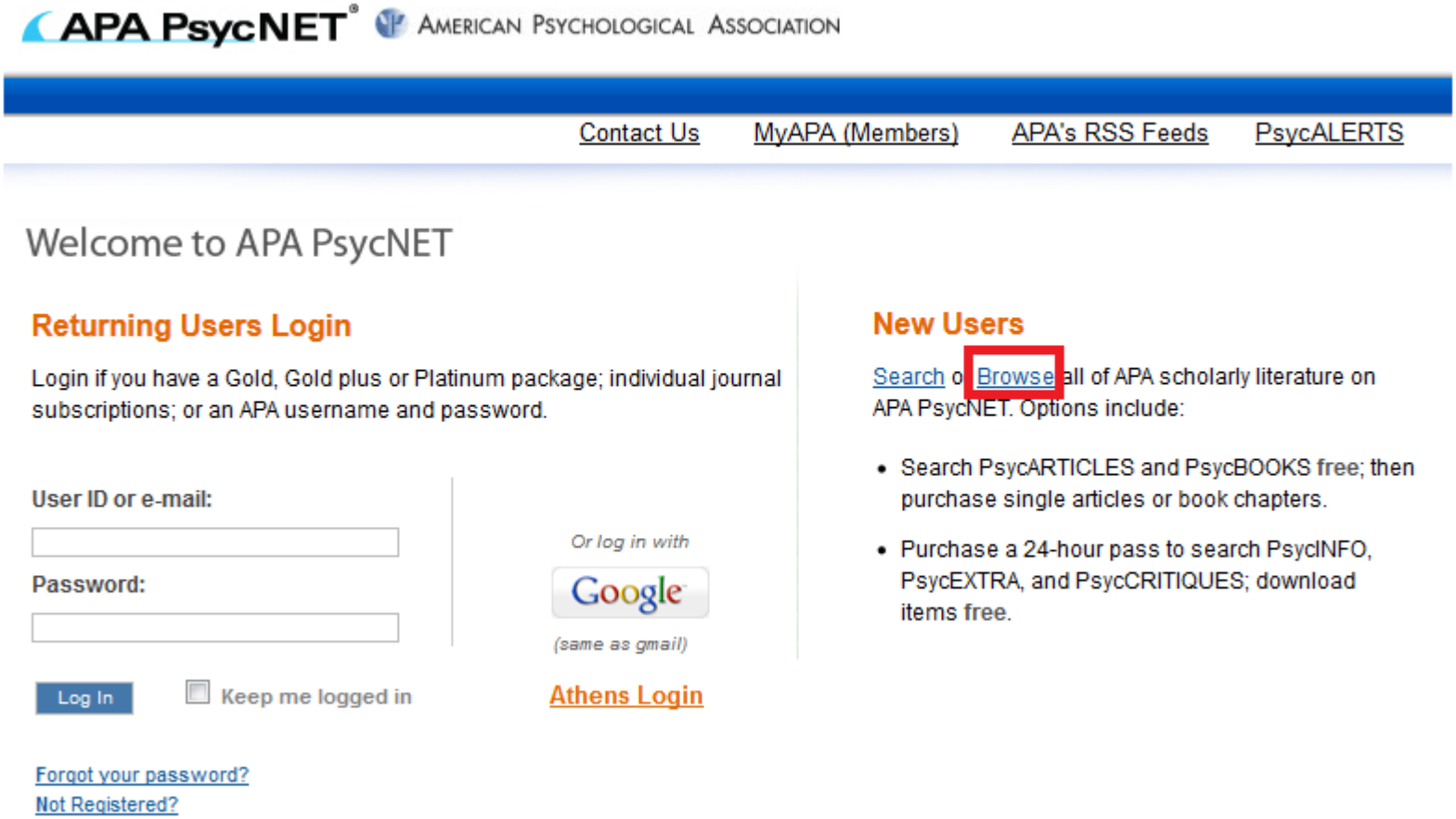

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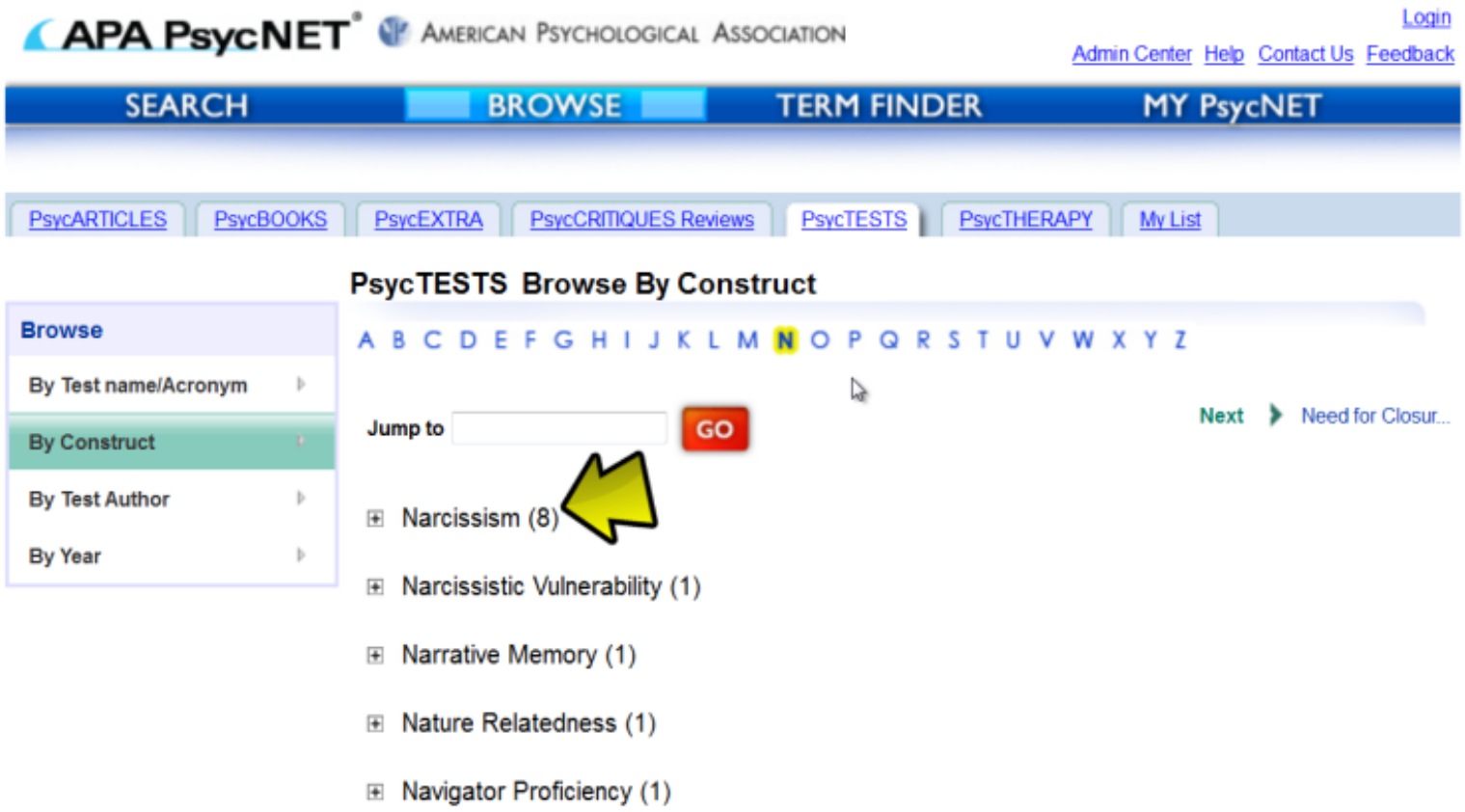

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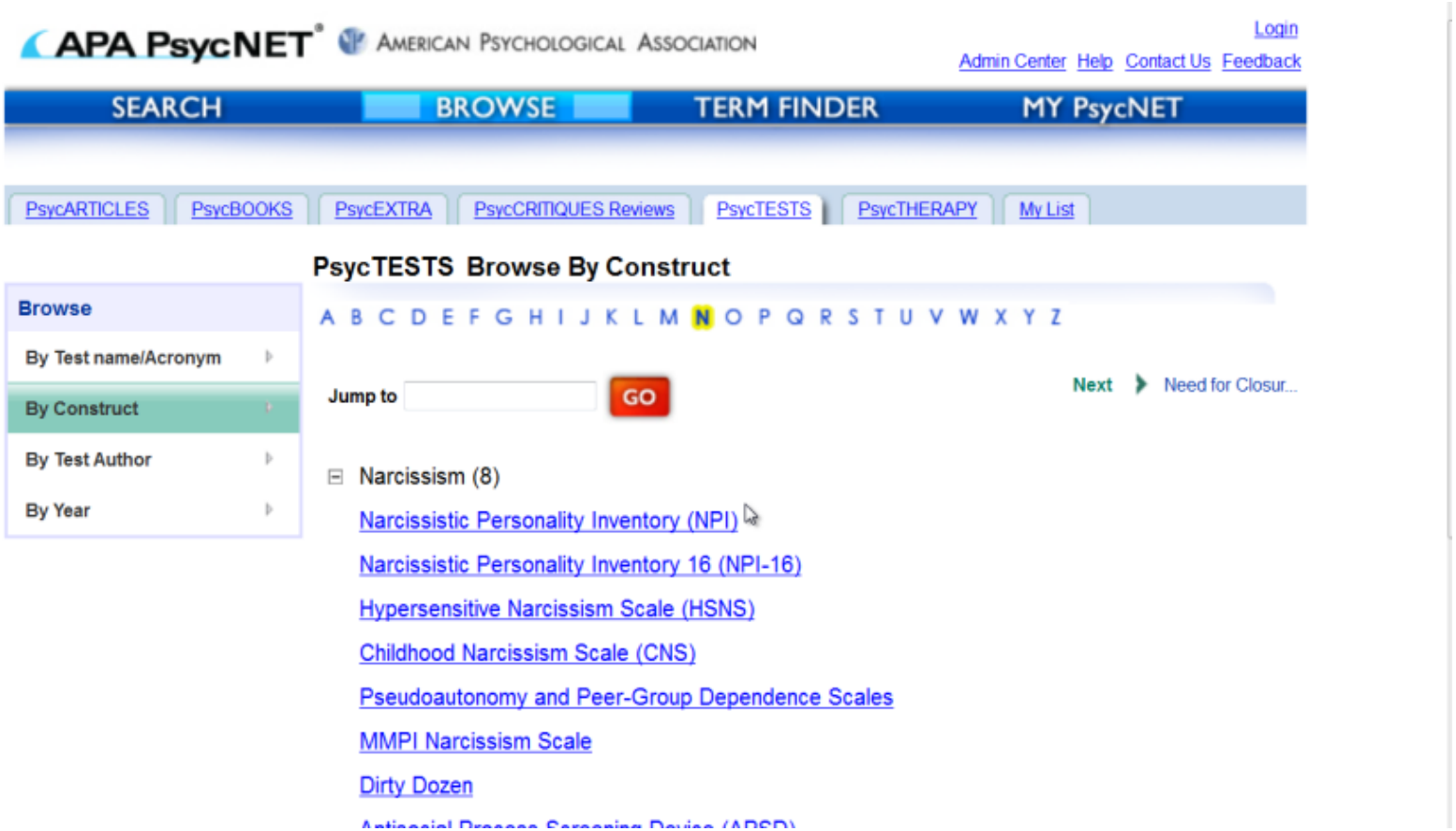

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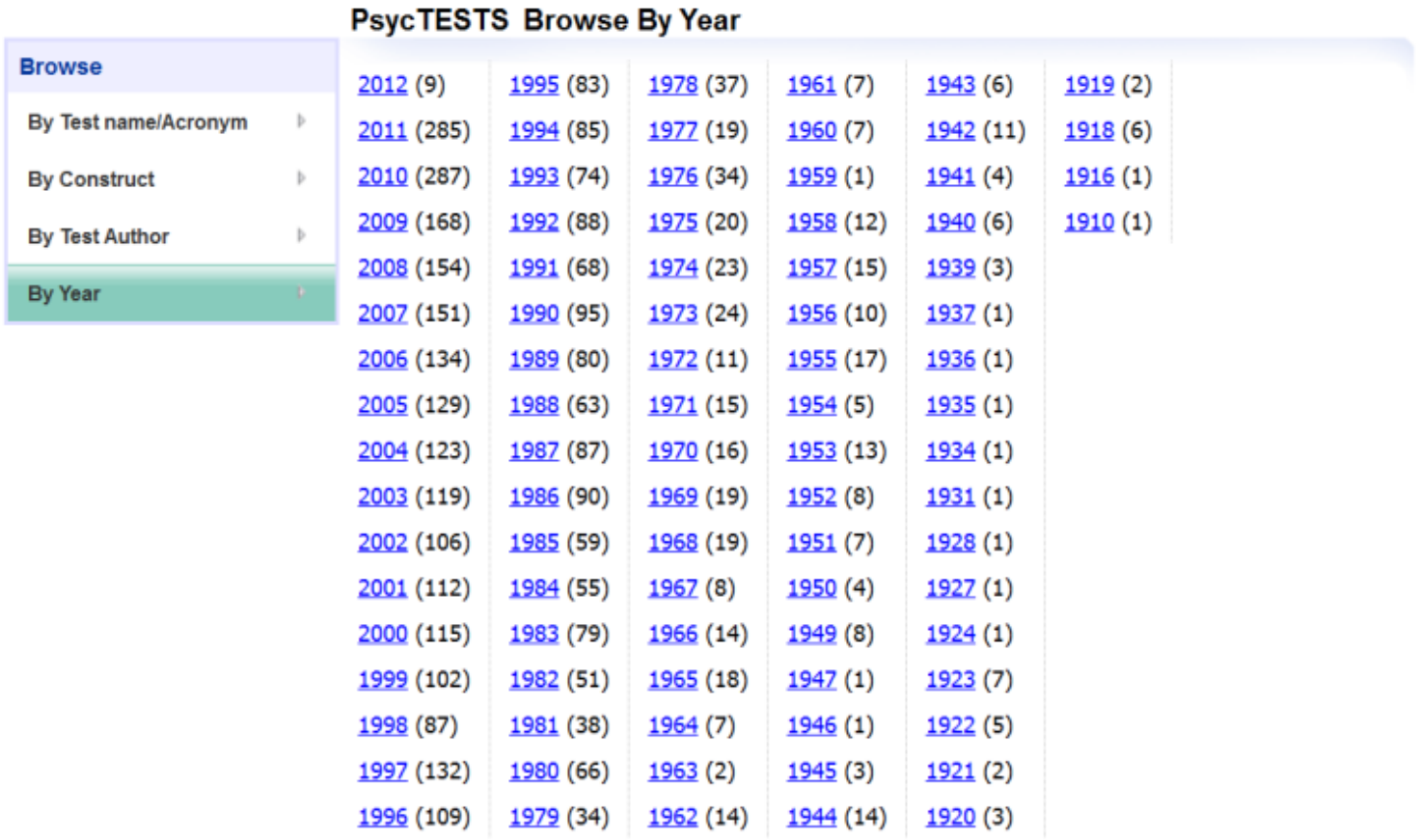

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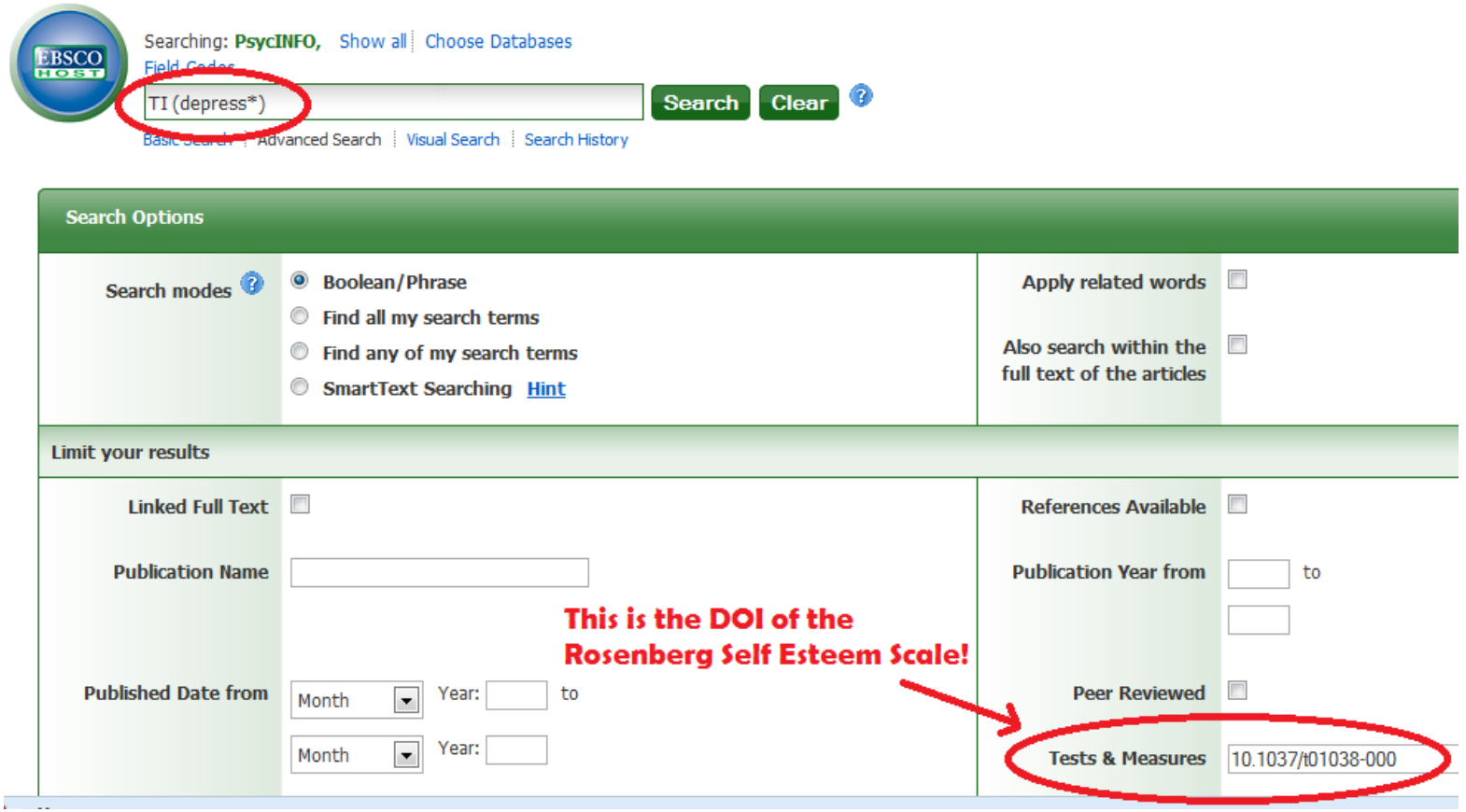

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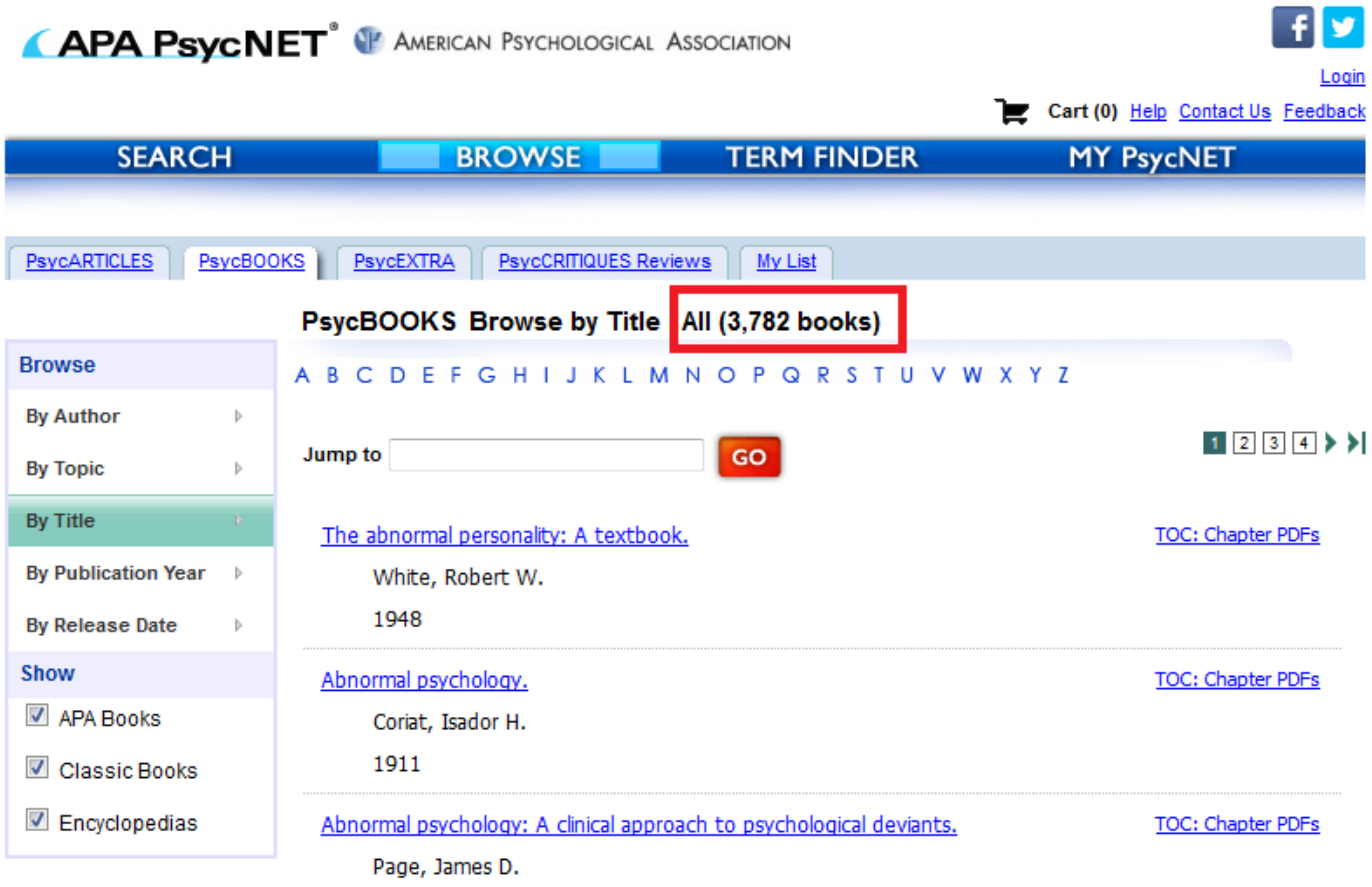

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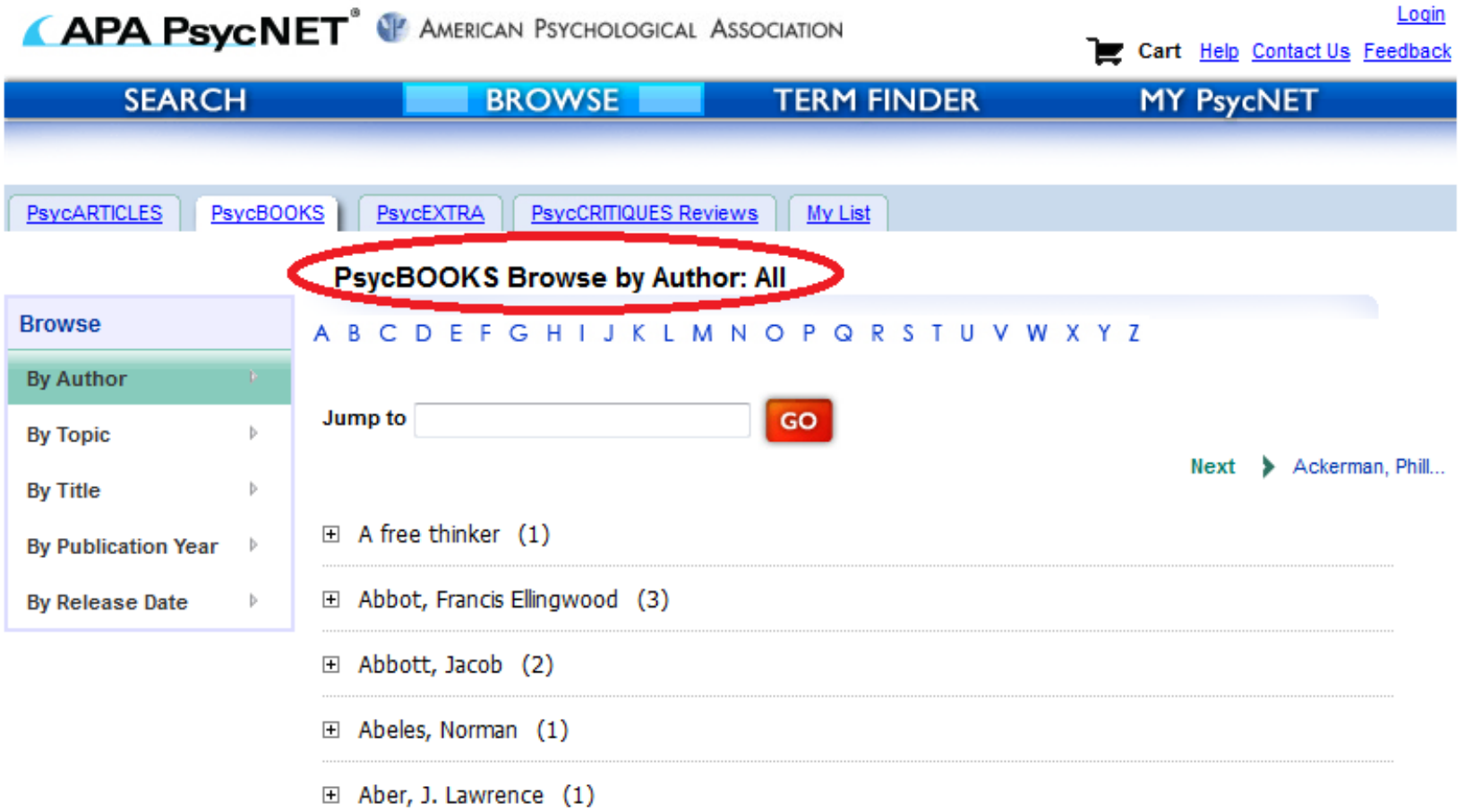

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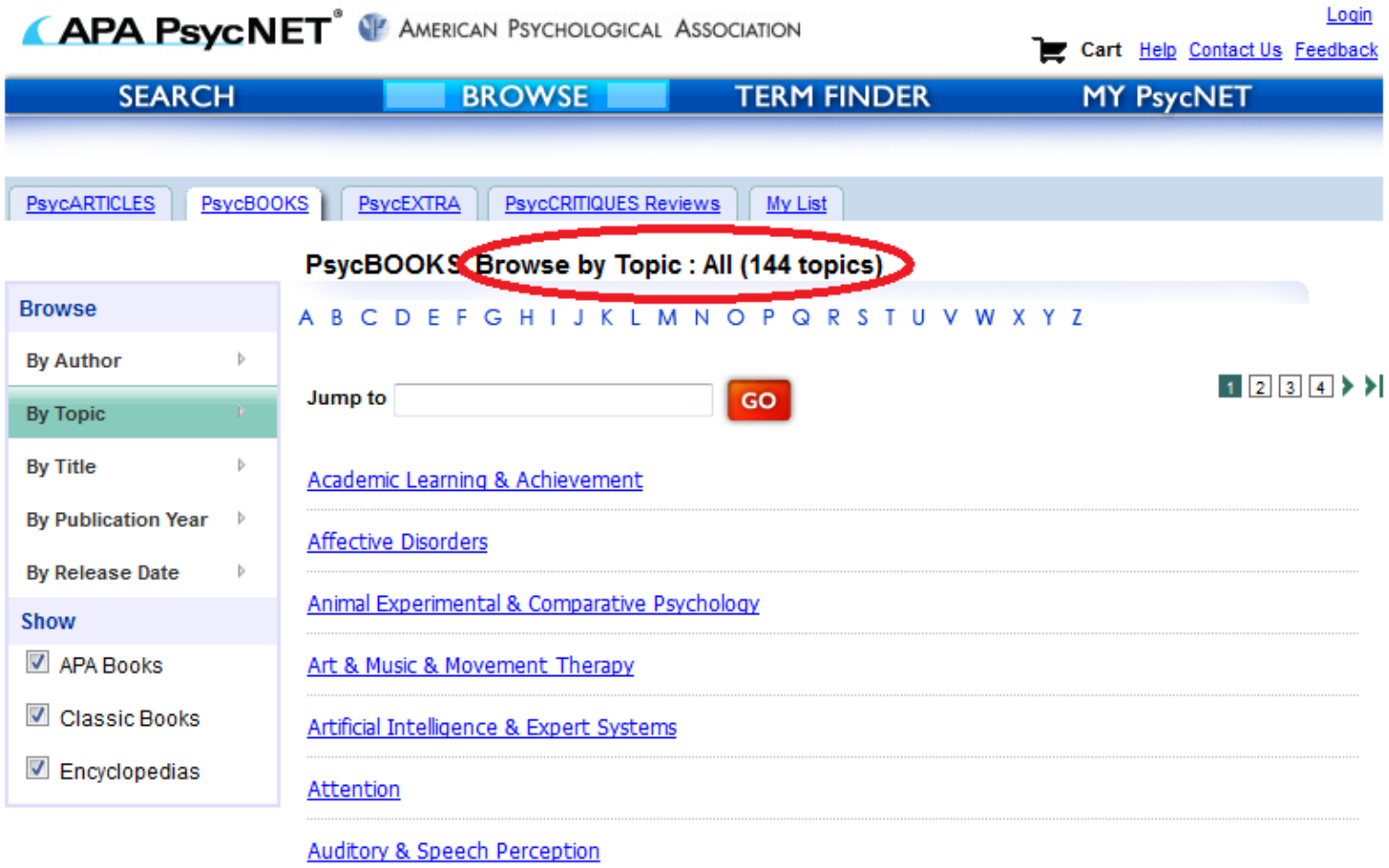

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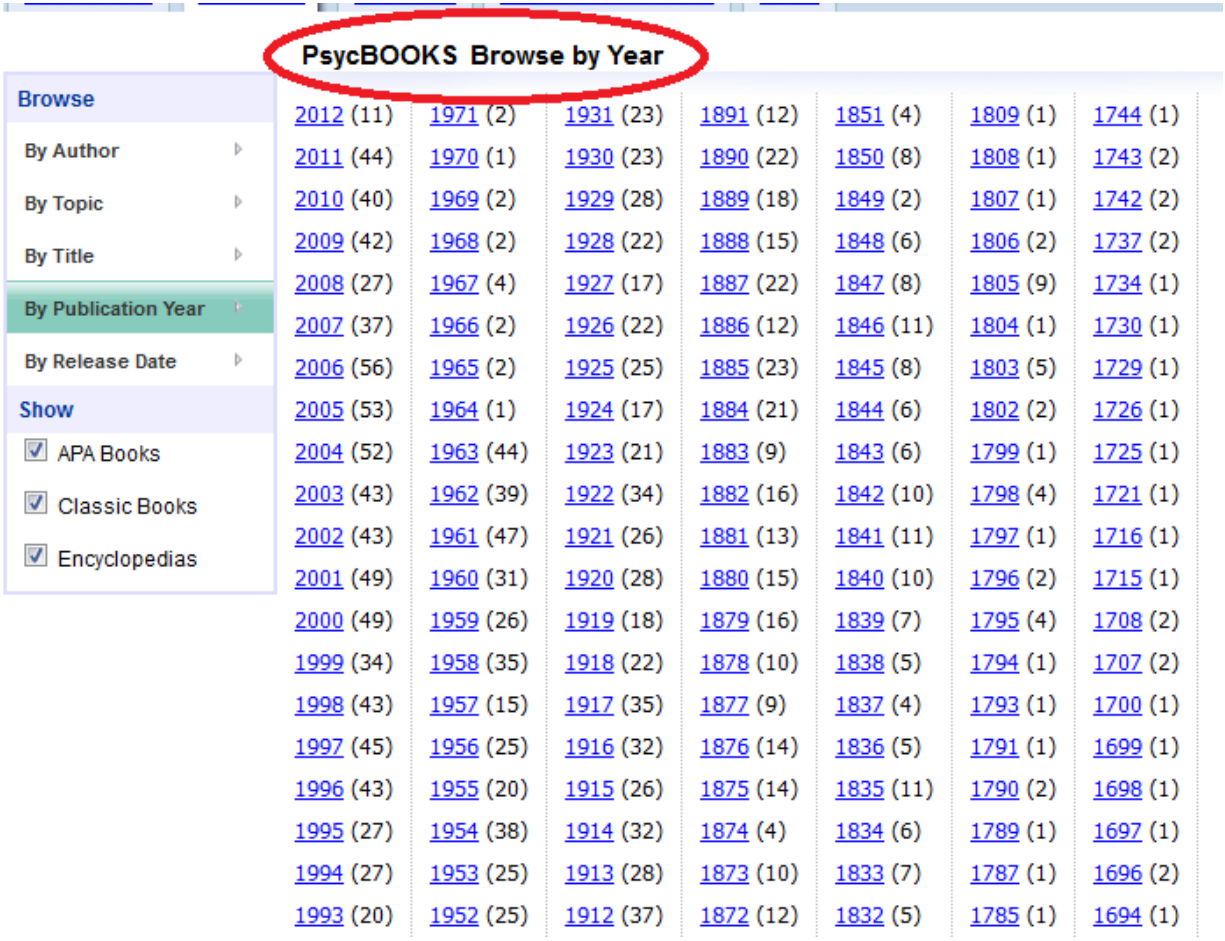

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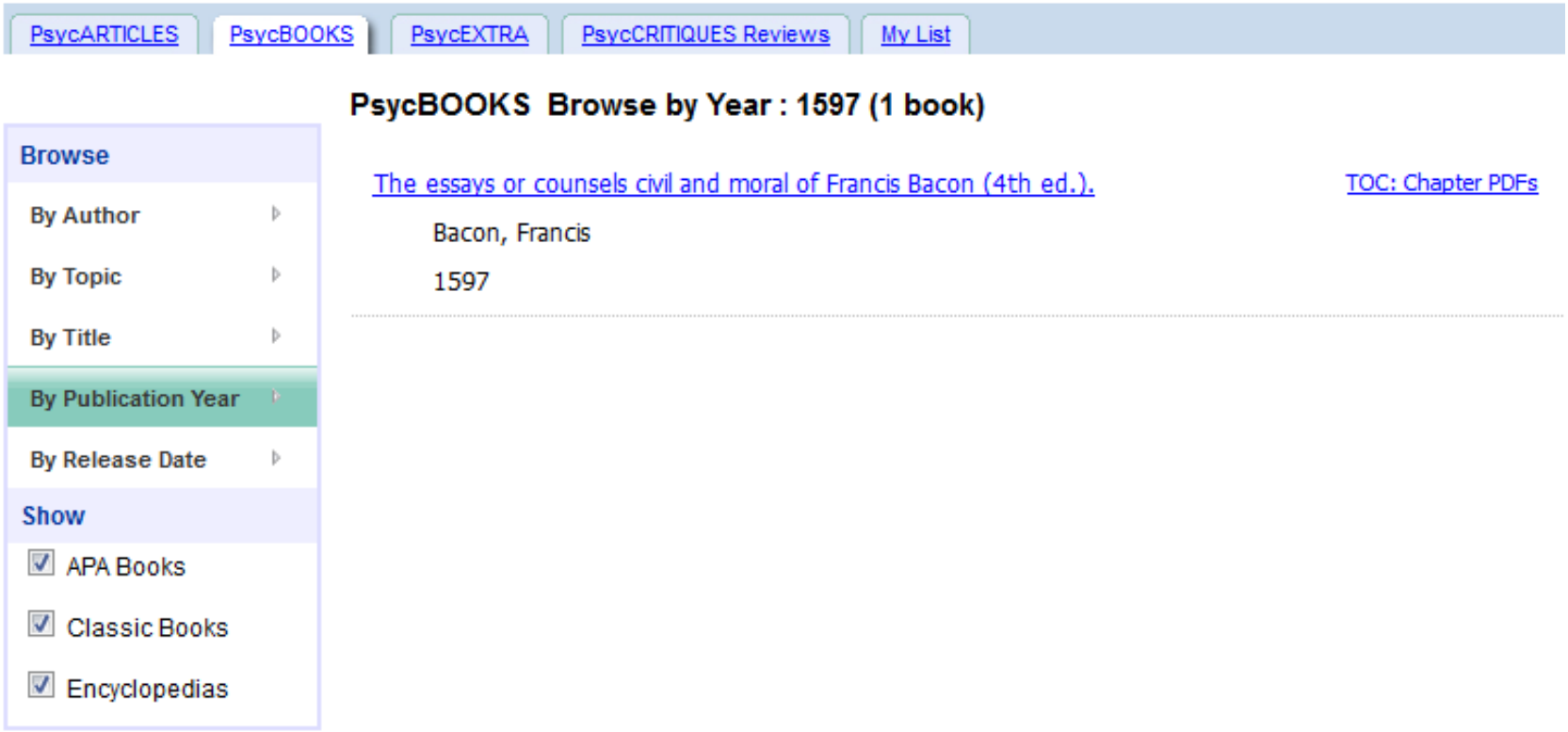

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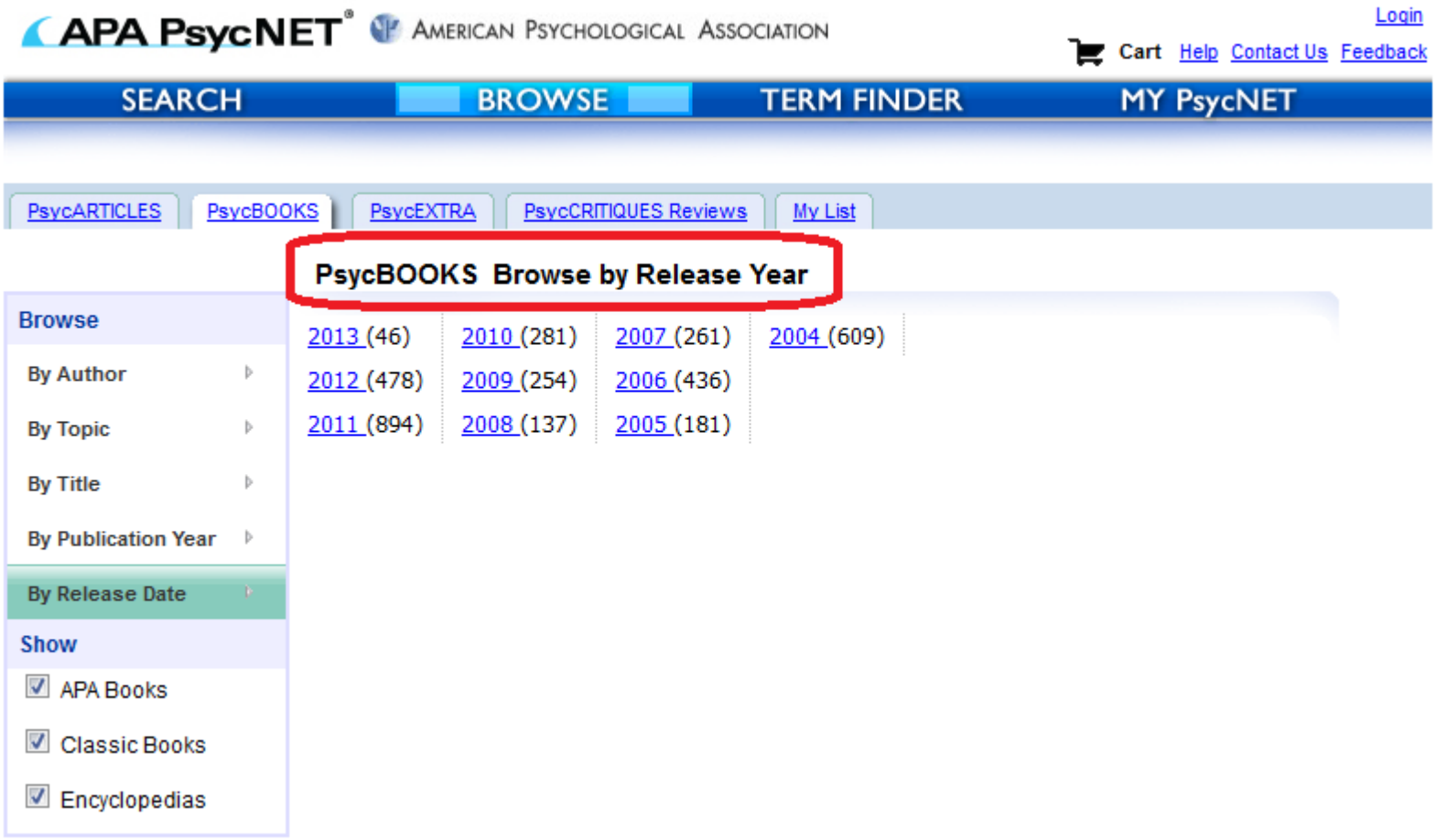

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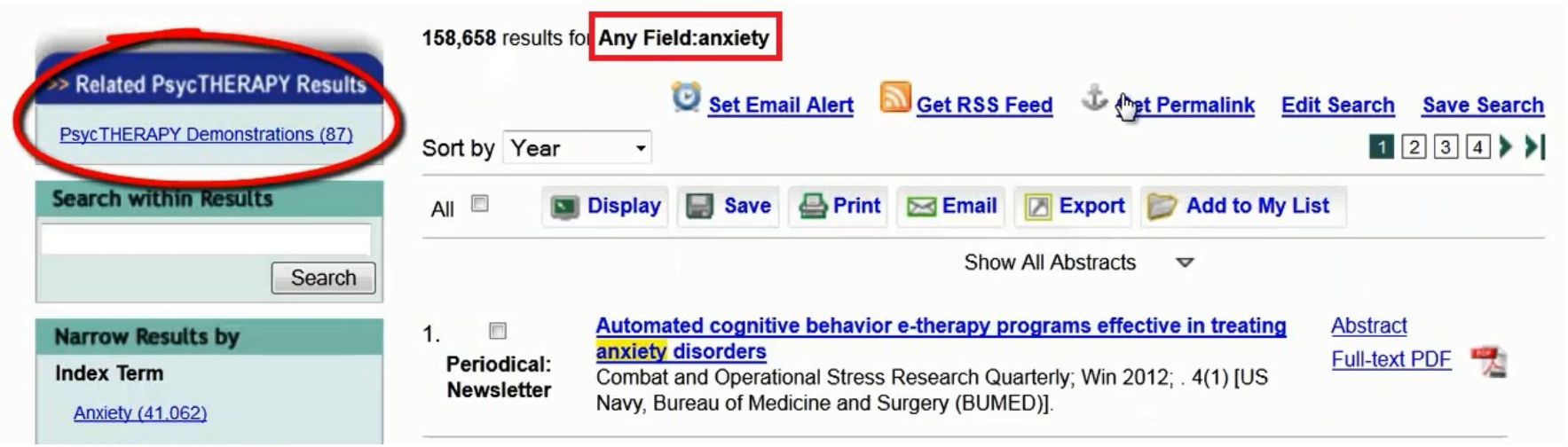

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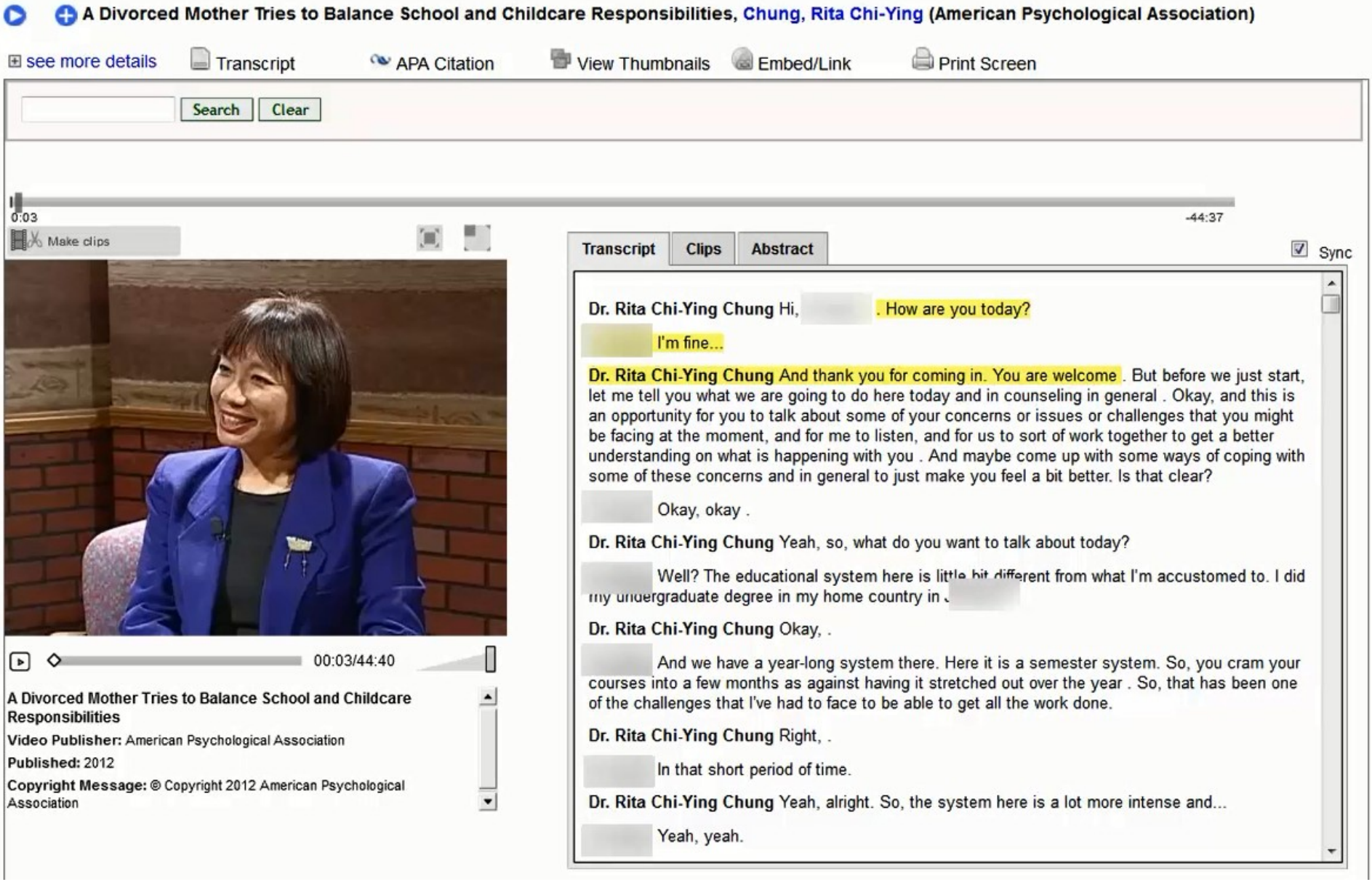

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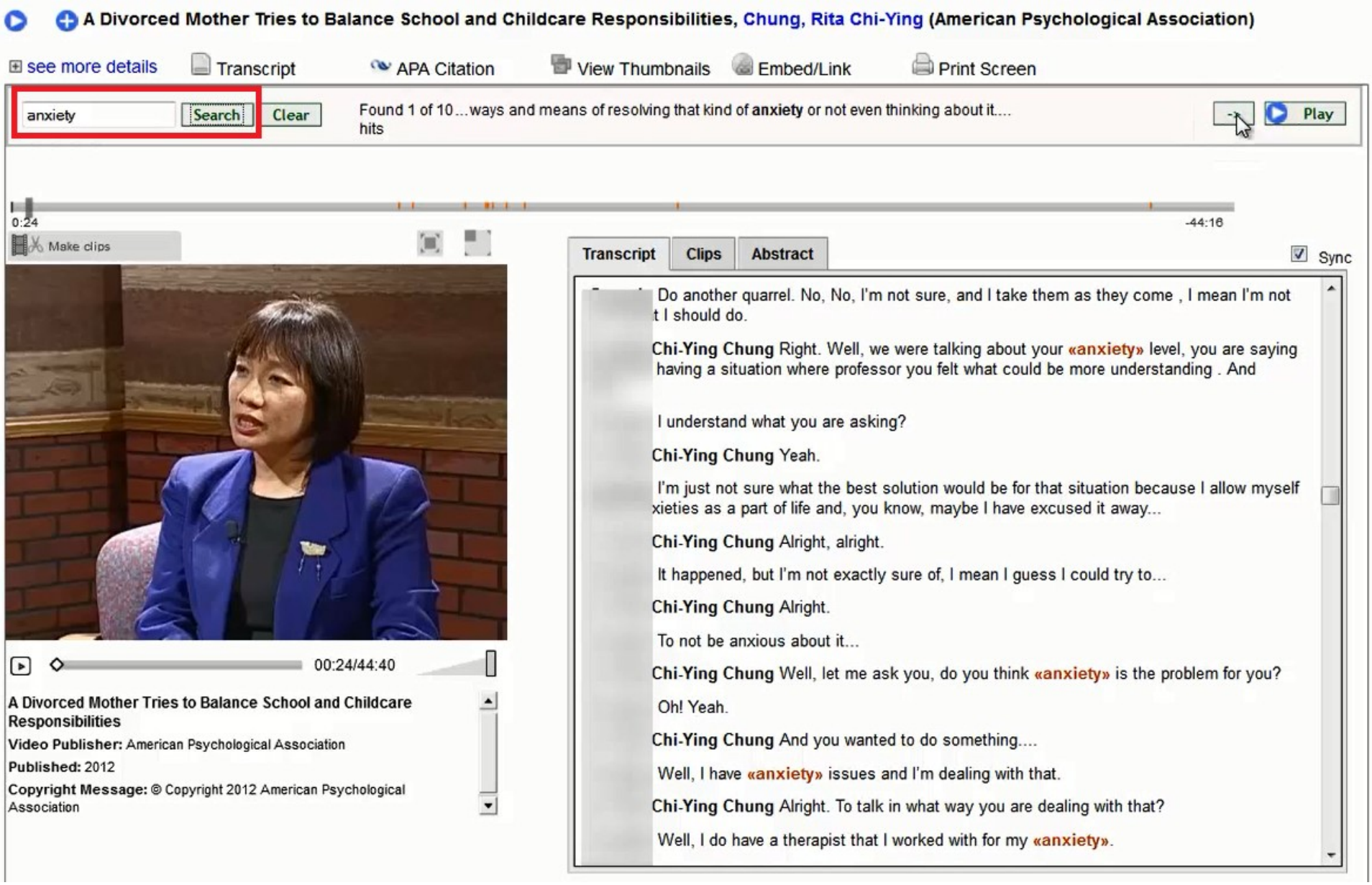

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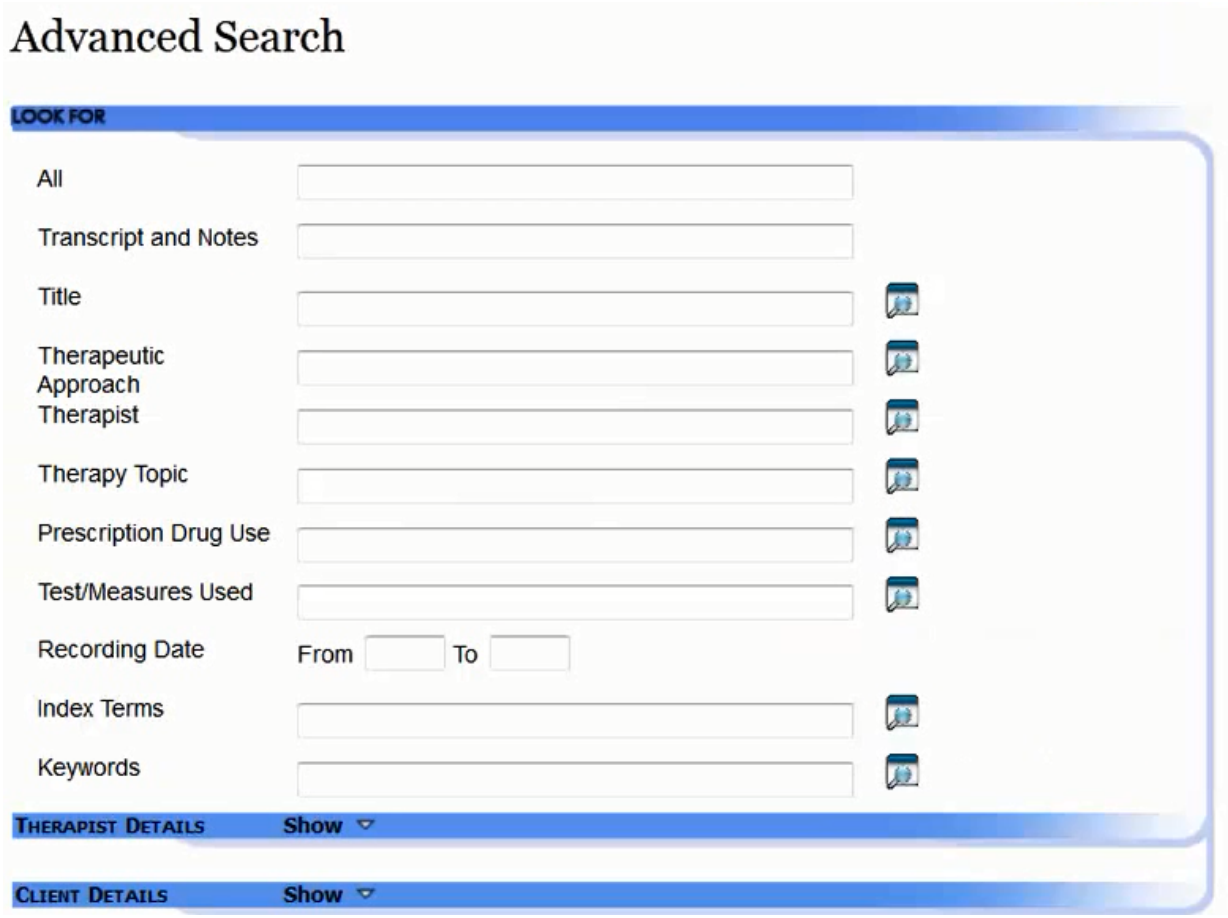

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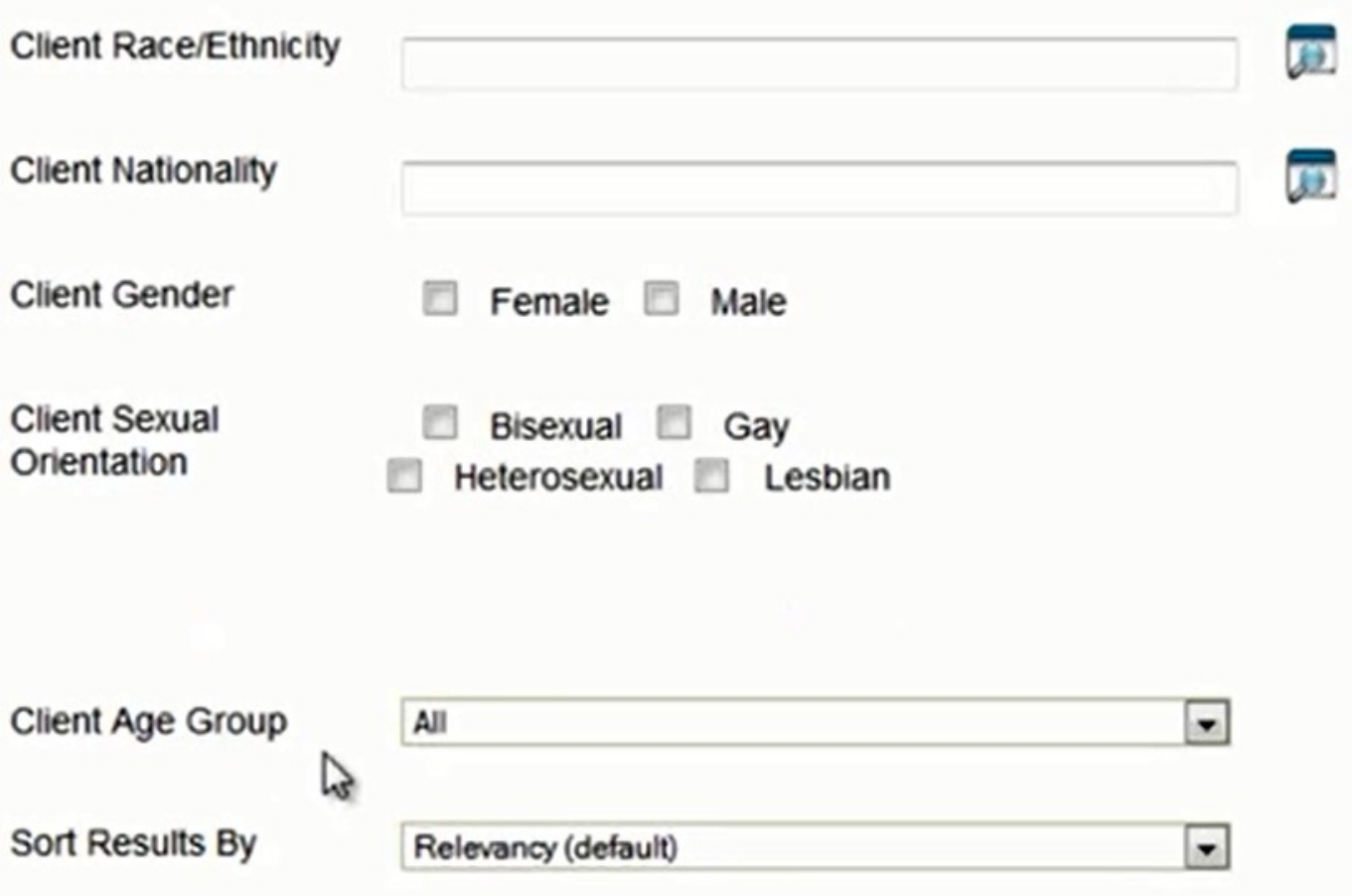

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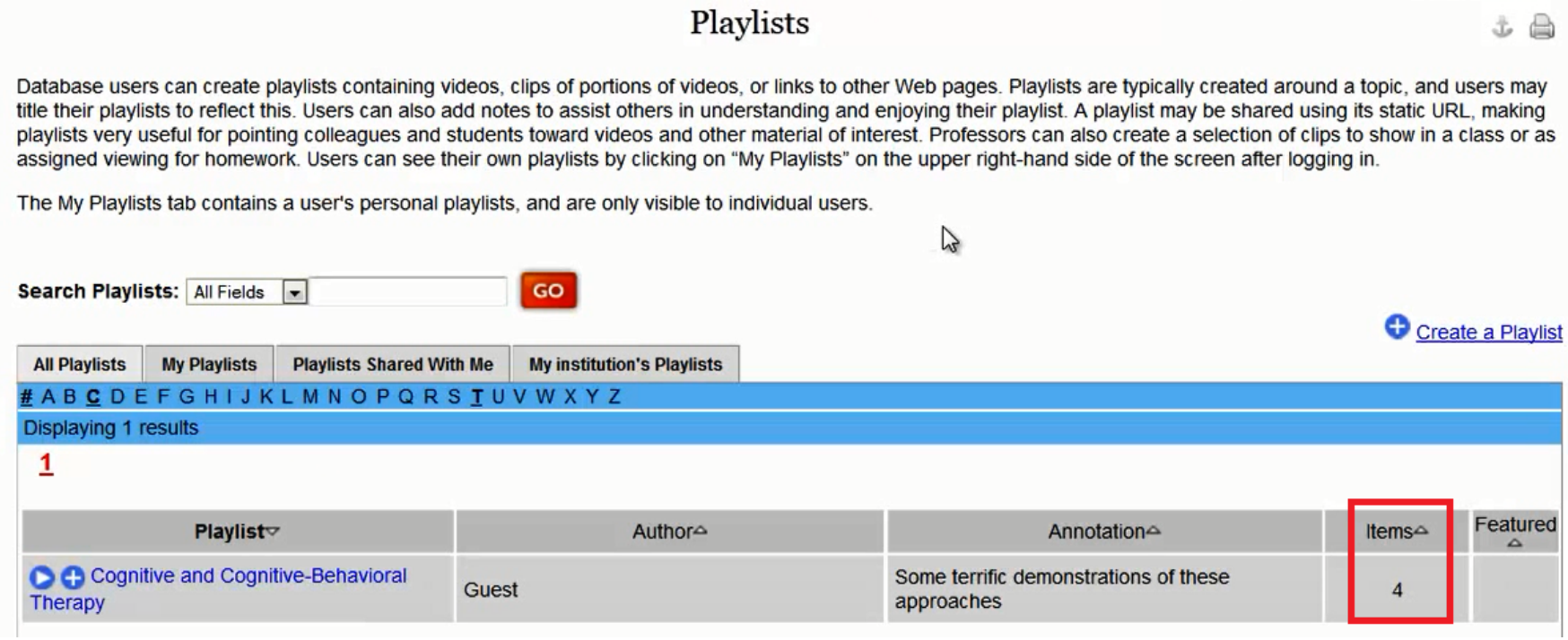

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