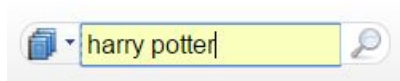




Alma Training Searching ALMA-NS-02 Hands-on Exercises

(Note: Examples used in this exercise are taken from the standard sandbox environment. Feel free to substitute other examples).

1. From the Quick Search, search 'All titles' for 'harry potter'.



Notice the type of information and the number of records in the results.

2. Filter the results using the 'Inventory=Physical title' facet.

ExLibris Alma Sandbox

Repository Search

Find where contains

Limit results to:

- Inventory**
 - Collection
 - Electronic title
 - Digital title
 - Physical title**
- Material Type**
 - Book (13)
- Language**
 - English (13)
- Publication Year**

Primary Sort by Rank Secondary Sort by Rank

- 1 **Re-reading Harry Potter / Suman Gupta.**
Book By Gupta, Suman H., (Houndmills, Basingstoke, Hampshire ; Palgrave Macmillan 20
ISBN: 1403912645 and others
Subject: Rowling, J. K. Criticism and interpretation. -- Rowling, J. K. Characters Harry Pott
countries. and others **Language:** English **Record number:** (TrN)59781-train20072_c
Availability: [Physical version](#) at **LAW: LAWSTACKS; 823/.914** (1 copy, 0 available)
[Physical version](#) at **MAIN: main; PR6068.O93 Z68 2003** (1 copy, 0 available)
[Digital version](#) of type DERIVATIVE_COPY (1 file/s)
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- 2 **Re-reading Harry Potter / Suman Gupta.**
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Notice the differences in information and action links contained in each result compared to the results of the 'All titles' search. They emphasize the inventory aspect more and the bibliographic aspect less.

Notice the number of results.

3. Select 'Physical titles' from the Find dropdown and re-execute your search (click Go).

The screenshot shows the ExLibris Alma Sandbox interface. The search term 'harry potter' is entered in the search bar. The 'Find' dropdown menu is open, showing 'Physical titles' selected. The search results are sorted by Rank. The first result is 'Re-reading Harry Potter / Suman Gupta', which is a book with ISBN 1403912645. The availability information shows 'Physical version at LAW: LAWSTACKS; 823/.914 (1 copy, 0 available)' and 'Digital version of type DERIVATIVE_COPY (1 file/s)'. The second result is also 'Re-reading Harry Potter / Suman Gupta'.

Notice the number of records. It should be the same as in step 2. This is because a search for physical titles is equivalent to a search for all titles filtered for bibliographic records with holdings. In fact, Alma actually executed this search in Step 2!

4. Select 'Physical items' from the Find dropdown and re-execute your search (click Go).

The screenshot shows the ExLibris Alma Sandbox interface. The search term 'harry potter' is entered in the search bar. The 'Find' dropdown menu is open, showing 'Physical items' selected. The search results are sorted by Rank. The first result is 'Re-reading Harry Potter / Suman Gupta', which is a book with ISBN 1403912645. The availability information shows 'Physical version at MAIN: main; 823/.914 (1 copy, 0 available)'. The second result is also 'Re-reading Harry Potter / Suman Gupta'. The third result is 'Harry Potter and the prisoner of Azkaban / by J.K. Rowling', which is a book with ISBN 0545010228. The availability information shows 'Physical version at MAIN: main; PZ7.R79835 Ham 1999 (2 copies, 0 available)'.

Notice the differences in information and action links contained in each result compared to the results of the 'All titles' search. They emphasize the inventory aspects pertinent for the individual item. Notice what seem to be duplicate records. In fact, these represent multiple items. Each physical item has its own item record. Notice the different facets.

These are context sensitive and change based on the type of entity searched and the results of the search. They also change as you select a facet.

5. Click 'Main Library' under the Libraries facet. Notice that the available facets have changed.