

# Task: Library Search

Approach: Station  
 Focus: Using a library computer catalogue  
 Resources: Computer program on laptop computer

Year: 4 & 8

## Questions / instructions:

**Fast Find option**

**Advanced Search option**

**Guest Menu**

**1**  
 "whale" as keyword:  
 2 results  
 "whales" as keyword:  
 48 results  
 Scroll bar at right edge of all results screens

| Title                                      | Edition | By                           | Classif.  |
|--|---------|------------------------------|-----------|
| The act of life                            |         | Cousteau, Jacques-Yves       | 574.921   |
| Animals & Us School Kit Video              |         | Spanhake, Judith             | 591       |
| The Antarctic                              |         | Hargreaves, Pat              | 998 ANT   |
| The Arctic                                 |         | Hargreaves, Pat              | 998 ANT   |
| Atlas of Animal Migration                  |         | Jarman, Cathy                | 591       |
| Baleen                                     |         | Crosen, Josephine            | CRO       |
| Beneath the Oceans                         |         | Andrews, Keith               | 574.921   |
| Big blue whale                             |         | Davies, Nicole; Maland, Nick | 599.5 DAV |
| The Blue Whale                             |         | Kim, Melissa                 | 599.5     |
| The Blue Whale                             |         | Grosvenor, Donna K           | 599.5     |
| The Book Of Whales, Dolphins and Porpoises |         | Bender, Lionel               | 599.5     |
| Creatures of the Antarctic                 |         | Gough, Sue                   | 998       |

**2**  
 "Joy Cowley": 18 results  
 "Cowley": 21 results

| Title   | Edition | By          | Classif. |
|---|---------|-------------|----------|
| Beyond the River                              |         | Cowley, Joy | COW      |
| Bow Down Shadrach                             |         | Cowley, Joy | COW NZ   |
| Birth the Terrible                            |         | Cowley, Joy | COW NZ   |
| The Cheese Trap                               |         | Cowley, Joy | COW NZ   |
| Day of the Rain                               |         | Cowley, Joy | COW      |
| The Duck In The Gun                           |         | Cowley, Joy | COW NZ   |
| The Fierce Little Woman and the Wicked Pirate |         | Cowley, Joy | COW NZ   |
| Gladly, Here I Come                           |         | Cowley, Joy | COW NZ   |
| The Great Bamboozle                           |         | Cowley, Joy | COW NZ   |
| Nickety-Nackety, Noo-Noo-Noo                  |         | Cowley, Joy | COW NZ   |
| Pukeko I Te Aka                               |         | Cowley, Joy | 499 NZ   |

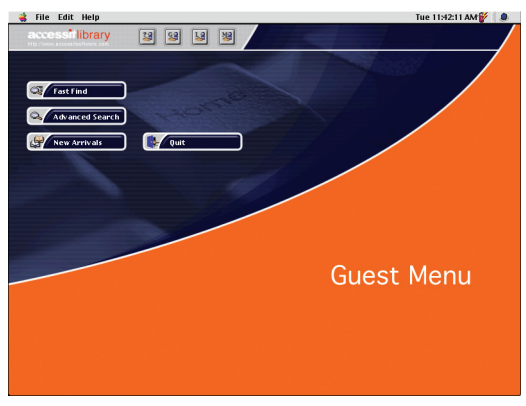
**3**  
 "Roald Dahl" & "Dahl": 31 results

| Title   | Edition | By         | Classif. |
|---|---------|------------|----------|
| The BFG                                       |         | DAH, Roald | CO5      |
| The BFG                                       |         | DAH, Roald | DAH      |
| Boy   |         | DAH, Roald | 920 DAH  |
| Charlie and the chocolate factory             |         | DAH, Roald | DAH      |
| Charlie and the Chocolate Factory             |         | DAH, Roald | DAH      |
| Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator          |         | DAH, Roald | DAH      |
| Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator          |         | DAH, Roald | DAH      |
| Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator          |         | DAH, Roald | DAH      |
| Complete Adventures of Charlie and Mr Willy W |         | DAH, Roald | DAH      |
| Dirty Beasts                                  |         | DAH, Roald | 827      |
| Enormous Crocodile, The                       |         | DAH, Roald | DAH      |
| Esio Trot                                     |         | DAH, Roald | 920      |

**4**  
 21 results

| Title                                       | Edition | By                    | Classif. |
|---|---------|-----------------------|----------|
| How Maui Found His Father and the Magic Jaw |         | Gossage, Peter        | 398.2NZ  |
| How Maui Found His Father and The Magic Jaw |         | Gossage, Peter        | 398.2NZ  |
| How Maui Found His Mother                   |         | Gossage, Peter        | 398.2NZ  |
| How Maui Found the Secret of Fire           |         | Gossage, Peter        | 398.2NZ  |
| How Maui Slowed the Sun                     |         | Gossage, Peter        | 398.2NZ  |
| Maori Legends for Young New Zealanders      |         | Mataira, Katrina      | 398.2NZ  |
| Maori Legends, (The Creation Stories)       |         | Bacon, Ron            | 398.2NZ  |
| Maori Legends, (The Maui Stories)           |         | Bacon, Ron            | 398.2NZ  |
| Maui and Kuri                               |         | Bacon, Ron            | 398.2NZ  |
| Maui and The Sun                            |         | Bishop, Gavin         | BIS NZ   |
| Maui Legends Of The Outcast                 |         | Sullivan, Robert      | SUL NZ   |
| Myths and Legends of Aotearoa               |         | Te Ake Ake, Annie Rae | 398.2NZ  |

% responses  
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This activity uses the computer.  
 Click on the button that says **Library Search**.  
 Enter username: **NEMP** with no password.  
 In this activity you will use a computer library catalogue to find some books.

- Find a book about *whales*.  
 book on provided list 72 88
- Find a book by *Joy Cowley*.  
 book on provided list 48 79
- The author of *Dirty Beasts* has written lots of other great books. Find another book written by this author.  
 book on provided list 34 68

### YEAR 8 ONLY:

- The Dewey number tells you where to look for a book on the shelf.  
 Write down the Dewey number for the book called *How Maui Slowed the Sun*.  
 398.2 or 398.2 NZ • 74

**Total score:**

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|---|---|-------|
| 4 | • | 46    |
| 3 |   | 24 32 |
| 2 |   | 28 12 |
| 1 |   | 26 7  |
| 0 |   | 22 3  |

### Commentary:

About three quarters of year 8 students showed good capabilities in searching the computer catalogue. Year 4 students were less assured.