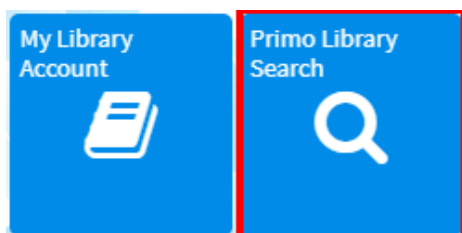


## Using Primo Library Search

1. Begin at **My Ara**: <https://myara.ara.ac.nz/>
2. Click on the **Primo Library Search** tile.

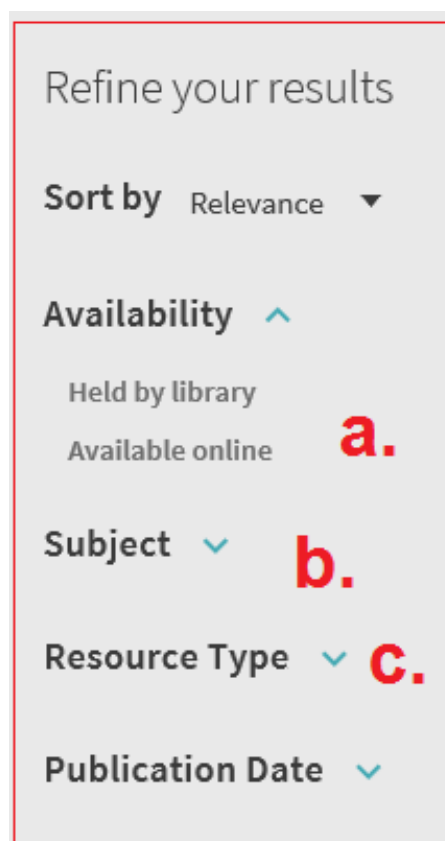


3. Type in your search terms and press Enter on your keyboard to see your results  
e.g.

4. **Refine your results** in the right column:

- a. **Availability**  
Choose **Held by library** to view physical library items i.e. not electronic.  
Choose **Available online** for ebooks and ejournal
- b. Choose a **Subject** if applicable.
- c. Limit by **Resource type** for Books, DVDs, CDs etc.  
  
e.g. If you refine by **Books** and **Available online** your results would all be **ebooks**.



5. For each of the titles from your search results, you can :

- a. See if the item is **Available**. (Note: **Not available** means an item is **on loan**.)
- b. Write down the shelf location e.g. **RT81.5MAY**
- c. Find the APA reference under **Citation** (Always check this against your *APA referencing guide for Ara Institute of Canterbury Students*)
- d. Request the item.
- e. Read more information on this item.
- f. View the ebook or other online version if available.
- g. Pin the title to your favourites. (Sign in with your **Student Email Address** and your **Network / Moodle password** to manage your favourites).

The screenshot shows a library catalog record for the book "Introduction to nursing research : developing research awareness" by Le May, Andr e; Holmes, Susan, published in 2012. The record includes a book cover, a star icon for favorites (labeled 'g.'), and a list of actions: REQUESTS (labeled 'd.'), DETAILS (labeled 'e.'), and LINKS (labeled 'f.') with a "view full text" button. A "Full text availability" section is also present. A red arrow labeled 'a.' points to the availability information: "Available at City Campus Library High Use Collection (RT81.5MAY) and other locations >". Another red arrow labeled 'b.' points to the shelf location "RT81.5MAY". A red arrow labeled 'c.' points to the "CITATION" icon in the "SEND TO" section. A red arrow labeled 'g.' points to the star icon in the top right corner.

## For further assistance

- Ask at the Library, Christchurch, Madras St. Campus
- Live chat with a Librarian during open hours via [Asklive](#)
- Ring (03) 9408089 or 0800 24 24 76 and ask for the Library
- Email : [library@ara.ac.nz](mailto:library@ara.ac.nz)