
In the Know – eResources & Databases - ANSWERS

1. What details do you need to access GMIT's online resources?

- a) Email address and phone number
- b) Student email and password
- c) Name, student number and PIN

2. Name 2 databases listed in GMIT's A-Z of databases that cover a variety of subject areas.

Academic Search Complete, OmniFile, ScienceDirect, Vocational Studies Complete, WoS

3. If you were asked to find a Standard (i.e. ISO or BSI), which database, would apply?

i2i National Standards Database

4. Boolean logic means:

- a) Searching a word to pick up variant word endings
- b) Combining terms using: AND, OR, NOT
- c) Using speech marks to pick up an exact phrase

5. Which truncation term would you use to find library, libraries, librarian, librarianship?

- a) lib*
- b) librarian*
- c) librar*

6. If you retrieve too many records when you search a database how can you increase the precision of the search? Try limiting terms to particular fields, dates etc. or adding additional search terms

7. What does PDF stand for?

- a) Picture Document File
- b) Portable Digital Format
- c) Portable Document Format

8. If the fulltext of an article you require is not available in the database, you search what should you do next?

- a) Give up and try to find a related article
- b) Just use the abstract, the summary is enough for my assignment
- c) Perform a “Journal Title” search.

This will tell you if we have the print in the Library or if it should be ordered as an Inter-Library Loan

9. Library Databases are always checked by experts in the field to verify the content.

- a) Websites (or) b) Library Databases

10. What is the aim of the search strategy? both a and b

- a) To keep you focused on your topic (or) b) To maximise the retrieval of relevant results and information (or) c) both a and b.