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Library & Learning Resources Welcome 2025/26

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Welcome to L&LR

The session will provide information on:

- How to join, visit and borrow items from our libraries
- The key online services and resources which support you
- Where you can get further help

Joining & borrowing

All you need is your ID card



- Your library number is all of the numbers on your ID card, including the Issue No
- Example borrower number: 4400694302

Returning & renewing items

You can return items to any BCU library

- You will be able to return borrowed items via book boxes on campus.
- Your loans will be automatically renewed unless the loaned item is reserved, in which case the item needs to be returned.
- Fines will be charged only for late return of reserved items.
- Messages will be sent to your **University email address** to let you know about reserved items and due dates.



Our libraries

Our libraries



Library



Mary Seacole Library



of Art Library



School of Jewellery Library

Opening hours & booking study space

Check the
Library Home
Page for
opening hours

Birmingham City University: Library & Learning Resources

Opening hours and booking study space

Book a seat

Book a space

Bookings are optional but recommended at Curzon Library. Wearing of face coverings is strongly encouraged.

[Book a seat](#)

Hours of Operation

[Location & Direction Info...](#)

Week View

Month View

	Aug 22 Monday	Aug 23 Tuesday
CURZON LIBRARY	7am – 10pm	7am – 10pm
Staffed hours	9am – 5pm	9am – 5pm
MARY SEACOLE LIBRARY	8am – 9pm	8am – 9pm
Staffed hours	9am – 5pm	9am – 5pm

Contact us

Tutorial Bookings

If you'd like some extra help finding information for your assignments, book a tutorial with one of our subject librarians.

[Book a tutorial](#)



Find Resources

Services & Support

Our Libraries

Library Search

News

Sign In

Sign In using
your **BCU**
email &
password

Search Anything

Search

A-Z of Databases

Our Collections

Advanced Search

Library Homepage (www.bcu.ac.uk/library)

The screenshot shows the Birmingham City University library website. At the top is a navigation bar with links: Find Resources, Services & Support, Our Libraries, Library Search, News, and a Sign In button. The background features a woman in a library aisle. Below the navigation bar is a large search area with a text input labeled 'Search Anything' and a blue 'Search' button. Underneath the search bar are three links: 'A-Z of Databases', 'Our Collections', and 'Advanced Search'. At the bottom, there are two sections: 'More Ways to Search' with a magnifying glass icon, a 'Search Guide' link, and a 'LEARN MORE' button; and 'Need Some Help?' with a speech bubble icon, a 'Live Chat' link, and a 'CHAT TO US' button. The Birmingham City University logo is in the top right corner.

Main menu

Library Search

A-Z of Databases

Advanced Library Search

Library Search Guide

Live 24/7 Chat

Online resources and support (part 1)



Online resources and support (part 2)

Searches across all
resource types & subjects

Search Anything

Search

A-Z of Databases

Our Collections

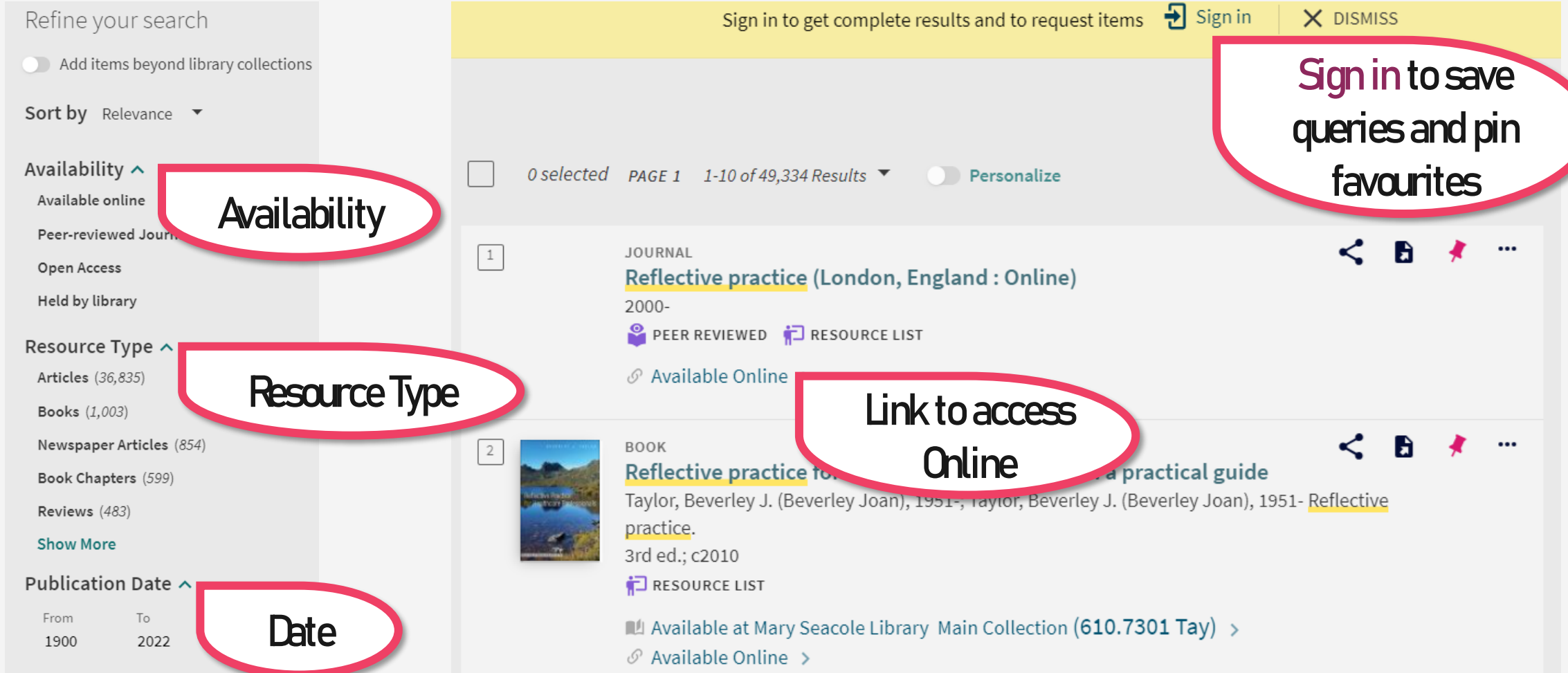
Advanced Search

Advanced Search
form enables you to
be specific about
what you search for
and where

Library Search and Advanced Library Search

Refining & saving your search

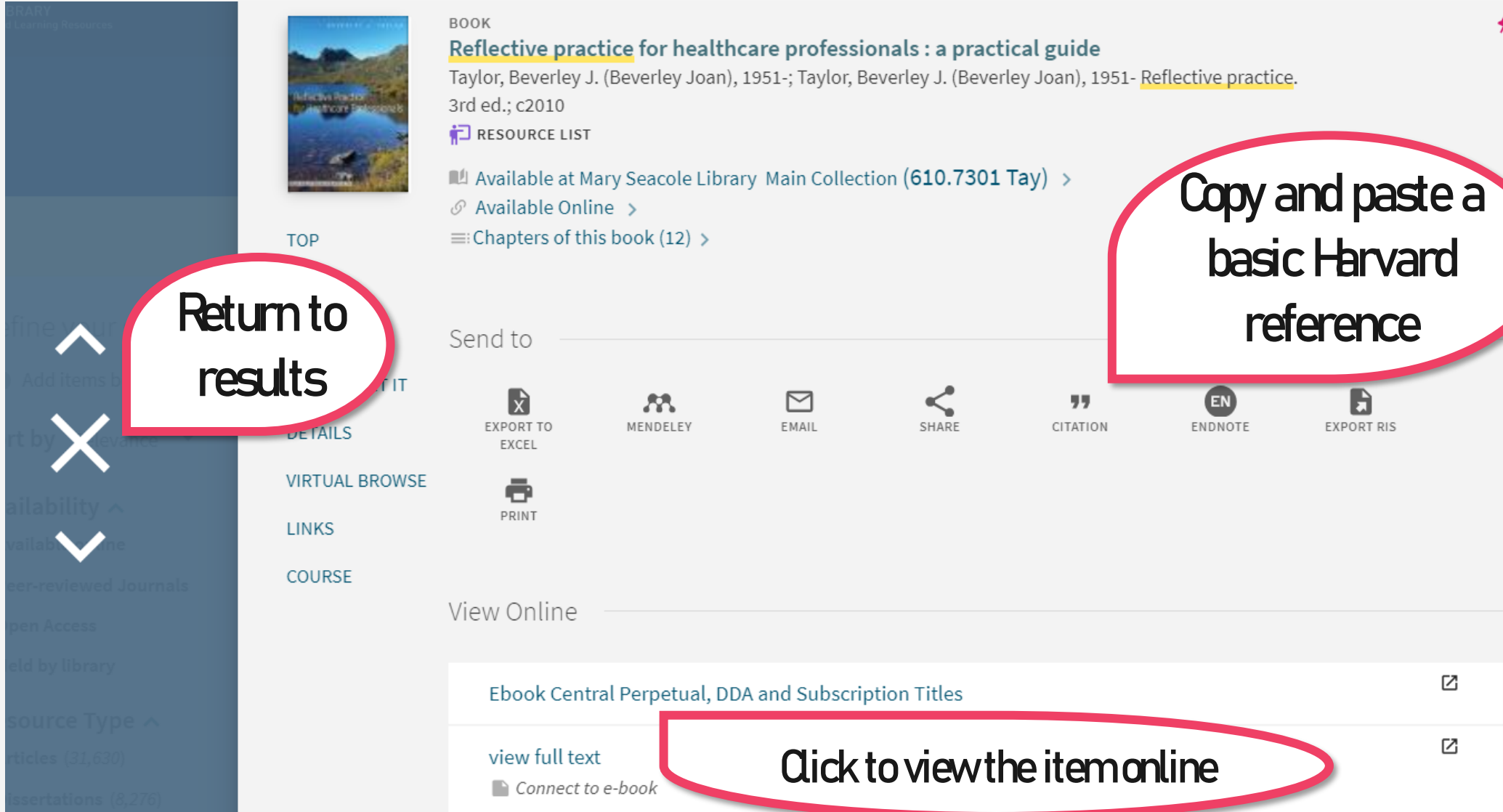
By Availability; Resource Type; Publication Date etc.



The screenshot shows a library search interface with several key features highlighted by red ovals and text annotations:

- Refine your search** sidebar on the left includes filters for:
 - Availability** (circled in red with the annotation "Availability"): Includes options like "Available online", "Peer-reviewed Journals", "Open Access", and "Held by library".
 - Resource Type** (circled in red with the annotation "Resource Type"): Includes options like "Articles (36,835)", "Books (1,003)", "Newspaper Articles (854)", "Book Chapters (599)", and "Reviews (483)".
 - Publication Date** (circled in red with the annotation "Date"): Includes a date range selector from 1900 to 2022.
- Sign in** button (circled in red with the annotation "Sign in to save queries and pin favourites") in the top right header.
- Available Online** link (circled in red with the annotation "Link to access Online") next to the search results.
- Search Results** showing two items:
 - Item 1:** JOURNAL Reflective practice (London, England : Online) 2000-. Includes tags for "PEER REVIEWED" and "RESOURCE LIST".
 - Item 2:** BOOK Reflective practice for... a practical guide. Taylor, Beverley J. (Beverley Joan), 1951-. Includes a "RESOURCE LIST" tag.

Viewing an online resource



The screenshot shows a library catalog entry for the book "Reflective practice for healthcare professionals : a practical guide" by Taylor, Beverley J. (Beverley Joan), 1951-. The book is available at Mary Seacole Library Main Collection (610.7301 Tay) and is also available online. The page includes a sidebar with navigation options like "Return to results", "Details", "Virtual Browse", "Links", and "Course". The main content area shows the book title, author, edition (3rd ed., c2010), and a resource list. Below the book information, there are options to "Send to" (Excel, Mendeley, Email, Share, Citation, Endnote, Export RIS) and "View Online" (Ebook Central Perpetual, DDA and Subscription Titles, view full text, Connect to e-book). The "view full text" link is highlighted with a red oval and the text "Click to view the item online".

Return to results

Copy and paste a basic Harvard reference

Click to view the item online

Teaching Practice Collection

Refine your search by Library to access this practical collection

Library ^

Curzon Library (18,976)

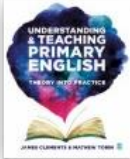
Inter-Library Loans (3)

Mary Seacole Library (697)

Offsite (1,329)

Resources Room Benjamin Zephaniah (573)

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BOOK

Understanding & teaching primary English : theory into practice

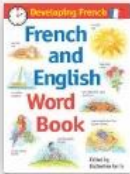
Clements, James, 1980- author.; Tobin, Mathew, author.

2021

RESOURCE LIST

Available at Resources Room Benjamin Zephaniah Main Collection (372.6044 Cle) >

3



BOOK

French and English word book

Farris, Katherine.; Hendry, Linda.

2008

Available at Resources Room Benjamin Zephaniah Teaching Practice Collection (440 Fre) >

Filter by Library

Most of the items will be found at Resources Room **BZ** building

A-Z of Databases

Key databases to support Education

A-Z of Databases



British Education Index



Child Development & Adolescent
Studies



ASSIA



PsycArticles & PsycInfo



JSTOR (Archive & Open Content)

A-Z of Databases

Key databases to support research generally

A-Z of Databases



Web of Science



ScienceDirect Freedom Collection



Scopus



CORE



ETHOS

Requesting items not in stock

Inter-Library Loan or stock suggestion?

Alternative sources for items not in stock



Inter-library loans

Request material from other libraries including print books for loan or copies of book chapters and journal articles.



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Your application will be processed by your home institution library. Waiting times vary; for more information, contact your home institution.

Once your application is processed, you will receive an approval email with further details on how to take part in the scheme.

Please do not contact SCONUL about your application as applications are not processed in the SCONUL office and we will not be able to assist you.

Subject Guide for Education

Subject guides connect you to key library people & resources



Library Subject Guides

Welcome

Books and e-books

New books

Locating books in the library

e-books

Journals and Databases

Subject databases

General databases

Research databases

Useful Websites

Employability Skills

Help and Tutorials

Contact your Librarians

Education: Welcome

Your Subject Guide brings together the key resources, services and library staff who can support you throughout your course.

Using your guide is a good place to start when beginning an assignment or looking for information, as it suggests those resources and services which will help you to discover research specifically related to teacher training and education.

Subject-Specific Resources



Books and e-books



Journals and Databases



Useful Websites

Your library team

ann.stairmand-jackson@bcu.ac.uk



- Ann for stock requests
- Janice for tutorial and subject help

janice.wright@bcu.ac.uk



Additional help

Support is available both online and face to face



Book a Tutorial



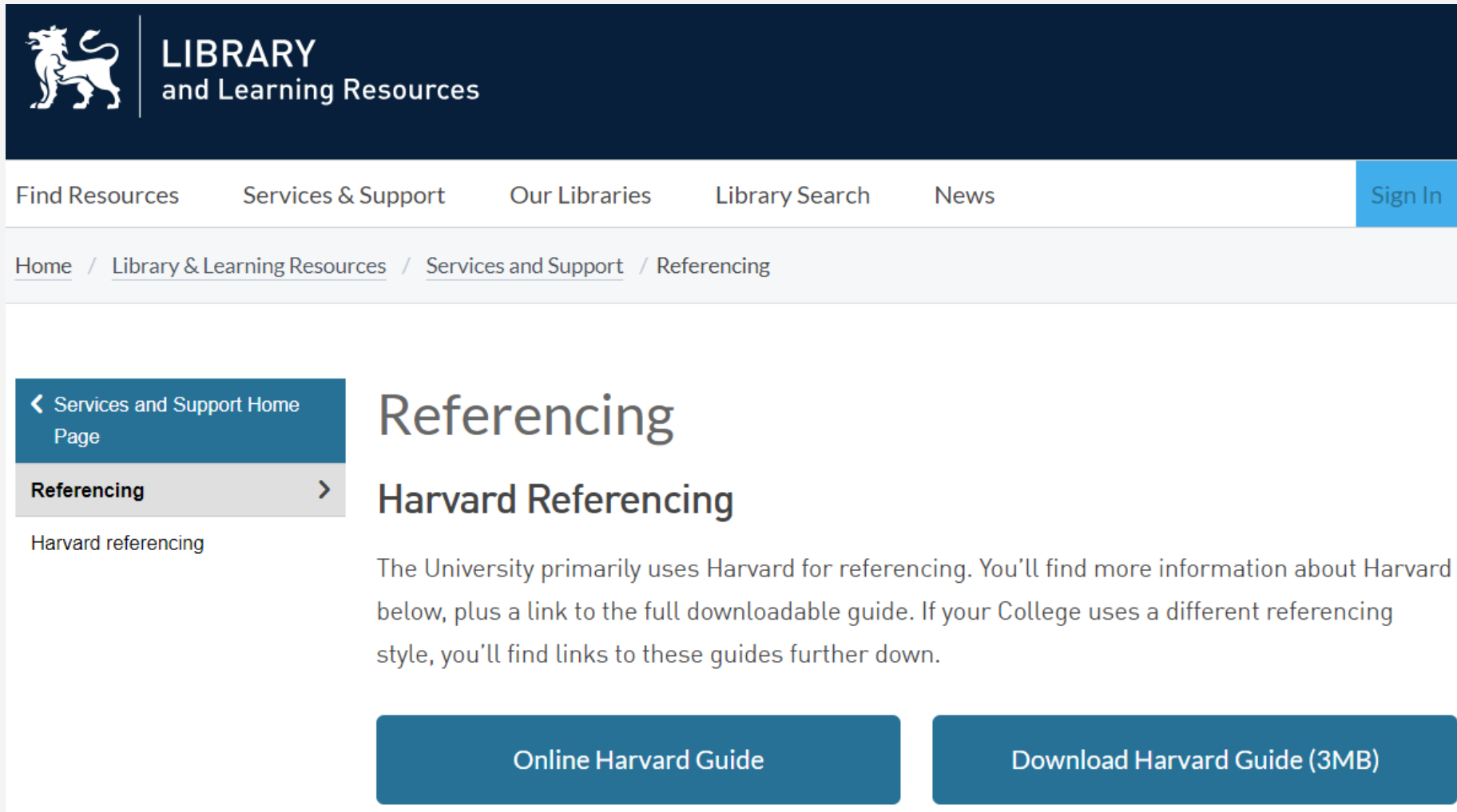
Live Chat

Get answers you need from one of
our Librarians

CHAT TO US

Referencing skills

BCU Harvard referencing guide



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 **LIBRARY**
and Learning Resources

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Harvard referencing

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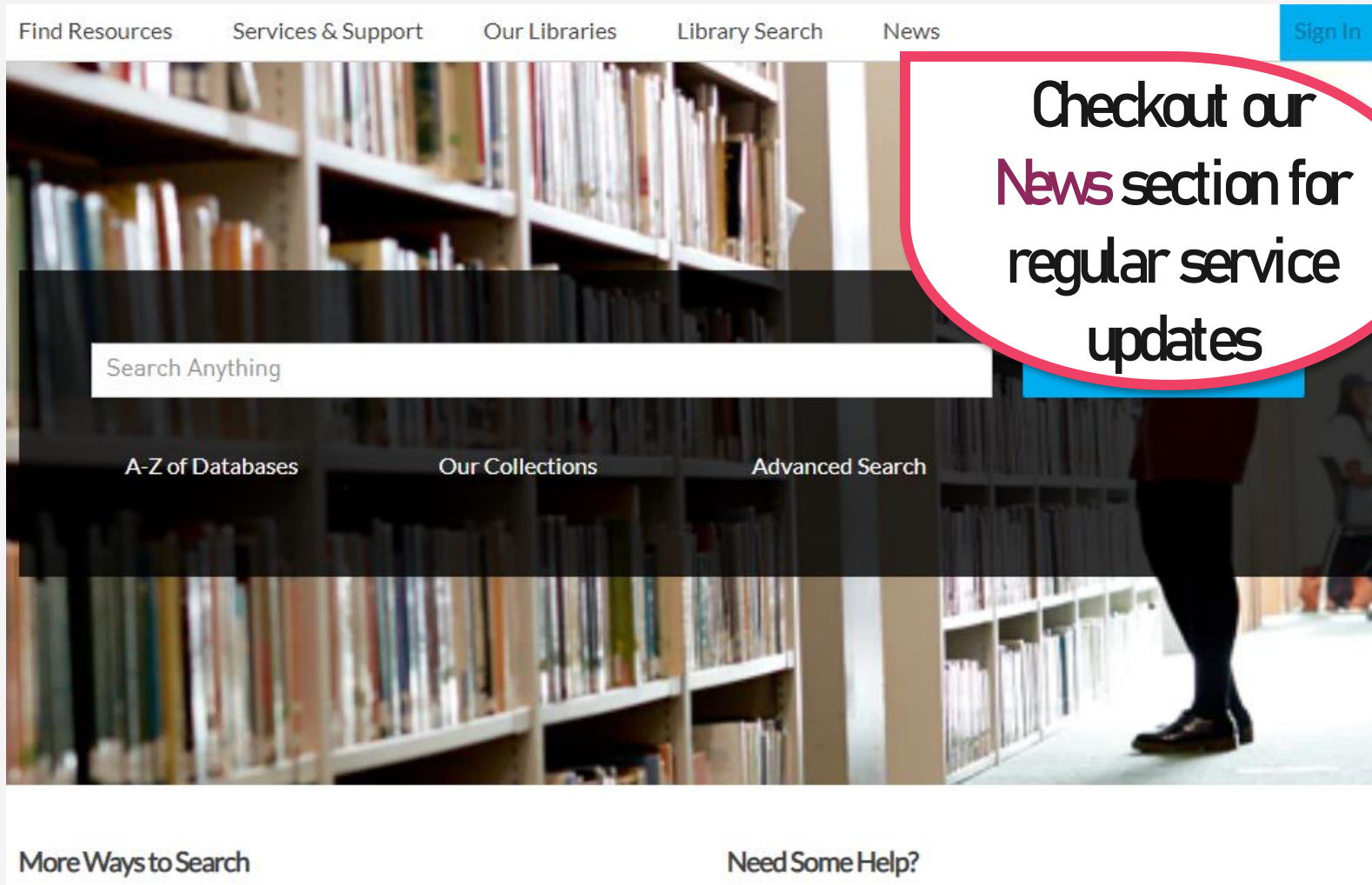
Harvard Referencing

The University primarily uses Harvard for referencing. You'll find more information about Harvard below, plus a link to the full downloadable guide. If your College uses a different referencing style, you'll find links to these guides further down.

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