WorldCat

Important WorldCat facts:

- **WorldCat** is the world’s largest library catalog.

- **WorldCat** is a catalog that essentially includes the information of most large library catalogs from around the world. In essence, **WorldCat** is the catalog of all library catalogs.

- WorldCat works best in **Advanced Search**.

  To get to **WorldCat Advanced Search** simply google:  **WorldCat Advanced Search**
  ... or google: WorldCat
  .... and then choose the Advanced Search option.

- In **Advanced Search** you can limit your search by words in the **Title**, and by **date of publication**.
• **WorldCat** provides **records** for books, videos, audio recordings (e.g. music on CDs and audiobooks), and research articles.

• The **WorldCat Advanced Search** also allows you to limit to various formats such as Article, Book, Sound Recording, and DVD.
• **WorldCat** is operated in a manner very similar to **OneSearch**. Like OneSearch – WorldCAT will allow you to use **AND NOT OR** (Boolean Operators) and to use **truncation** * (the asterisk).

Note – **even though you don’t see it** – the WorldCat Advanced Search puts an **automatic AND** before for each. So the following search in following search in WorldCat is really asking for books with the following words in the title:

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hunger

AND (America OR American OR America’s)

AND (end OR ending OR prevent OR preventing OR prevention OR eradicate OR eradicated OR eradicating)
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• **WorldCat** provides citation options (APA, MLA, and Chicago styles) for all of its records.

• **WorldCat** indicates the location of the **nearest library** that owns a copy of the book (or CD or DVD etc.) that you are interested in – including **University of Northern Iowa**.