

Search by Topic

To search for results by topic:

1. From either Basic or Advanced Search, click on a **topic** in the Search by Topic column. A list of subtopics appears on the right side of the screen.



The screenshot displays the Student Research Center search interface. At the top, the logo reads "Student Research Center powered by EBSCOhost". Navigation links include "Sign In", "Folder", "Preferences", and "Help". A "Demonstration Customer" label is present. Below the navigation are buttons for "New Search", "Dictionary", "Encyclopedia", "AP Sources", and "Teacher Resources". The search mode is set to "Basic Search", with links for "Advanced Search", "Visual Search", "Search Other Databases", and "Title Lists". A search box contains the text "Lions" and has "SEARCH" and "CLEAR" buttons.

The "SEARCH BY TOPIC" section on the left lists various categories, with "Science" highlighted. The "Search within current topic:" section on the right shows a list of subtopics under "Science":

- Science
- Agriculture
- Anatomy
- Archaeology
- Astronomy
- Bioethics
- Biology
- Biotechnology
- Botany & Gardening
- Chemistry
- Cloning
- Endangered Species
- Energy Sources
- Environment
- Genetics
- Geology

Three small images are displayed on the right side of the subtopic list: a woman in a lab coat, a microscope, and a lightning bolt.

2. Mark any **subtopics** that you want and click **Search**. A Result List of articles related to your topics displays.

The screenshot shows the Student Research Center search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Sign In', 'Folder', 'Preferences', and 'Help' links. Below this is a 'Demonstration Customer' label. The main search area includes buttons for 'New Search', 'Dictionary', 'Encyclopedia', 'AP Sources', and 'Teacher Resources'. The search type is set to 'Basic Search', with links for 'Advanced Search', 'Visual Search', 'Search Other Databases', and 'Title Lists'. The search query is '(Lions) and TP "Science" AND (TU "Endangered Species")'. Below the search bar, there are options to 'Refine Search', 'Add search to folder', and 'Display link to search'. The results section shows 'Results for (Lions) and TP "Science" AND (TU "Endangered Species") and Automatically "And" search terms'. A filter bar allows users to filter results by 'All Results', 'Magazines', 'Newspapers', 'Radio & TV News Transcripts', 'Primary Source Documents', and 'Photos'. The results list shows two items: 'A new state law may create open season on hunting' and 'Where the wild things are', both with 'HTML Full Text' links and 'Add' buttons.

- If you select only a main topic, your results will be broad. For example, if you clicked **Science** and then clicked **Search**, your results would be limited to *Science*, which is a fairly general topic.
- If you want more focused results, you may want to mark topics and subtopics. For example, if you clicked **Science**, marked the **Wildlife** subtopic and then clicked **Search**, your results would include both *Science and Wildlife*, which is a more specific search.
- You can also enter a search term in the **Find** field on this screen. For example, if you clicked **Science** and marked **Wildlife**, and entered **Lions** in the **Find** field and then clicked **Search**, your results would include *Science and Wildlife* and the search term *Lions*. This is a more specific search. (If you mark several subtopics, they are combined using "OR.")