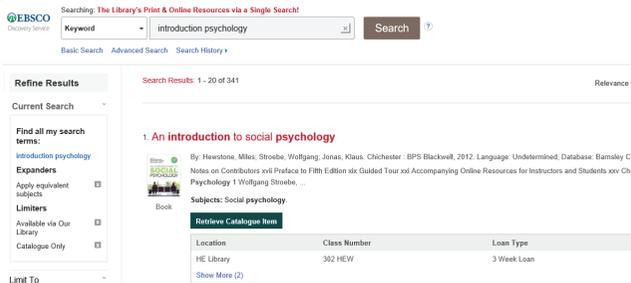


How to search for class numbers...

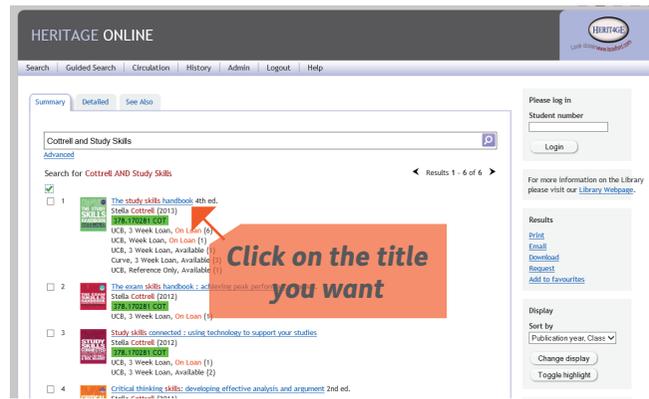
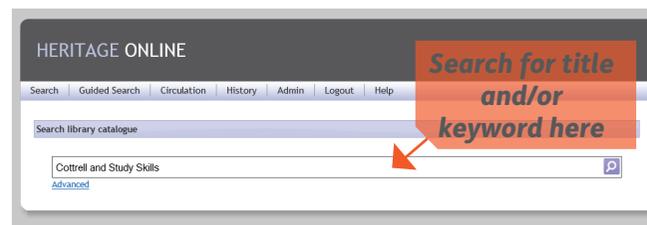
You have two options. Both are available on the Internet from the HE Library website:

<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/helibrary>

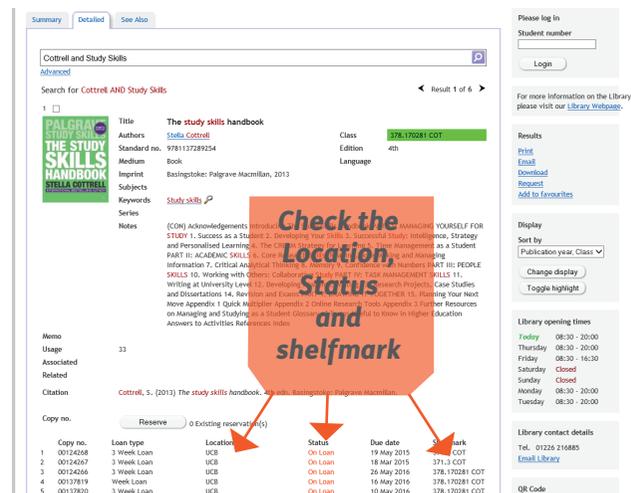
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Alternatively, you can search HERITAGE, our library catalogue. On HERITAGE to search for a particular book, type a word from the **title** and an **author's surname** e.g. 'Cottrell and study skills'. Note, you need the word **'and'** in between the subject and the author. Without and, the PC will search for these words as a phrase.



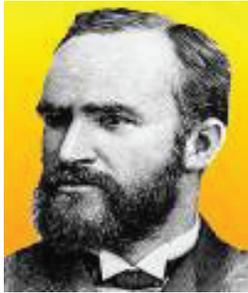
When you have chosen the book best suited to your requirements, you can then follow the **underlined title link** which will give you further details. Check this screen for lists of **how many** copies the Library has and it's/their **location** e.g. 'HE Library' or 'Curve' as well as the **status** e.g. 'available' or 'on loan'. There is also a shelfmark or class number to indicate the exact location of the book on the shelves within the Library. You will need to **make a note** of this to use when looking on the shelves (they can be quite long!)



What's a Dewey?!

Books in the HE Library are shelved in a carefully selected order. Books on similar subjects will be found together using a numbering system called:

Dewey Decimal Classification



Melvil Dewey, an American librarian, created the system back in 1876. It is now used by many academic libraries around the world.

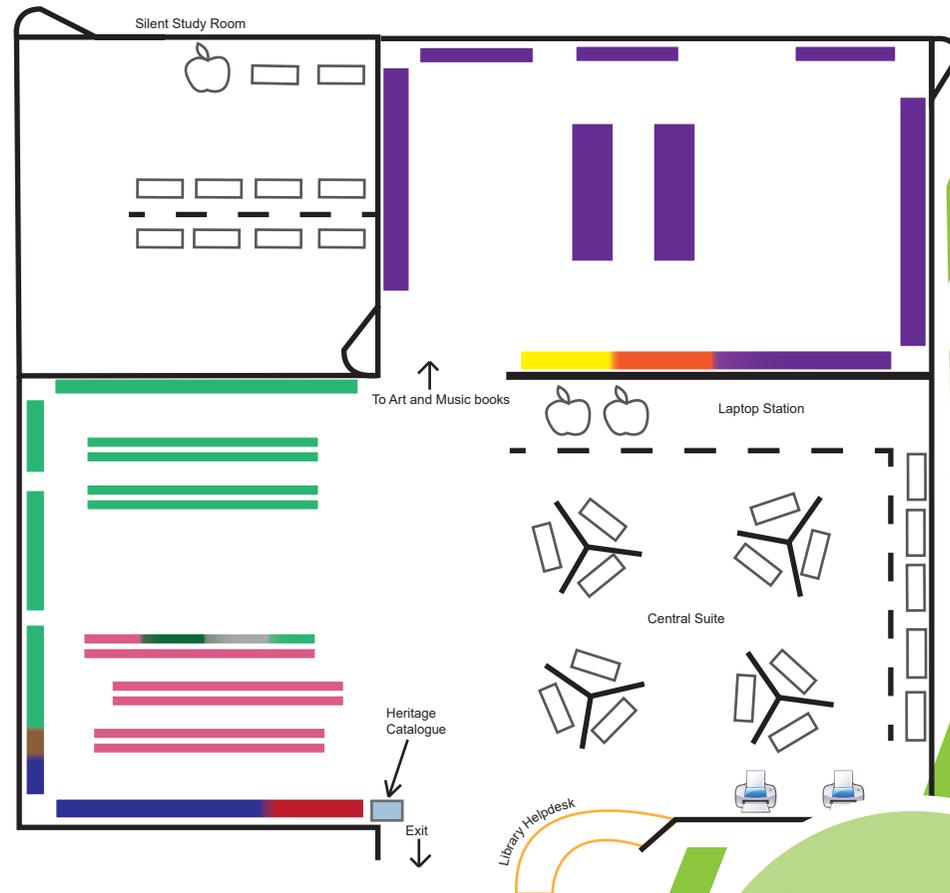
The system is made up of 10 main subject classes with numbers ranging between 000-999. Within these classes there are sub classes and further divisions for more specific topics within a subject.



You will find the class number displayed at the bottom of the spine of each book.

You can search for the class number or shelfmark of a book by using **Discovery** or the library catalogue (**HERITAGE**). You can also simply browse the shelves. Whichever method you choose, read on to find out more!

In the HE Library The shelves are signposted with class numbers and a **colour** for each of the **10 main subject areas**. If you do not want to search for a specific topic or book, you can simply browse the shelves and explore what is available.



- 000-099 Computing & General Works
- 100-199 Philosophy & Psychology
- 200-299 Religion
- 300-399 Social Sciences
- 400-499 Linguistics & Language
- 500-599 Sciences & Mathematics
- 600-699 Medicine, Technologies & Business
- 700-799 The Arts and Leisure
- 800-899 Literary Theory & Literature
- 900-999 History

The colour coded map above should help you to find resources for your studies. Find your subject colour, then locate items in HE Library using this map.