

Sample Searches: Early English Books Online (EEBO)

The examples below illustrate the kinds of searches you can build using operators and fields.

Basic Search

1. Find the *Canterbury Tales* written by Geoffrey Chaucer.
 - Type *Canterbury Tales* in the **Keyword** box.
 - Type *Chaucer* in the **Author Keyword** box (or use the **Select from a List** link).
2. Find works about herbal remedies.
 - Type *herb* and remed** in the **Keyword** box.
 - Use truncation to find herb, herbs, herbal, herbalist, etc.
3. Find various Subject Keywords relating to the Brain.
 - Click on **Select from a List** next to the **Subject Keyword** box.
 - Type *brain* and click **Look For**.
 - Click on **Brain – Early works to 1800**. Then click **OK**.
 - View the Illustrations within your results list to see early medical diagrams.

Advanced Search

1. Find early works printed by William Caxton, the first English printer
 - Type *Caxton* in the **Imprint** box and click **Search**
 - Sort by *Earliest Publication First*.
2. Find a map of Massachusetts.
 - Type *Massachusetts* in the **Keyword** box.
 - Scroll down to the **Illustration Type** box.
 - Click **Map** to highlight the term, then click **Search**.
3. What works were printed in Algonquin, a Native American language?
 - Scroll down to the **Language** field.
 - Click on **Algonquin** to highlight the term, then click **Search**.
4. Other interesting topics to search
 - Magna Carta
 - Atlas
 - Pirate*
 - Housewi*
 - Nautical
 - Microscop*