

Hints for Topic searching in Catalogue For GSV Members

For **birth, death and marriage records** and parish and non-conformist registers, type:

REGISTERS & PLACE

Eg REGISTERS KENT

REGISTERS HAWTHORN

For **shipping lists** with names of passengers, type:

PASSENGER & PLACE OF ARRIVAL (or departure if to many ports)

Eg PASSENGER VICTORIA

PASSENGER GERMAN*

For **census** transcripts and indexes, type:

CENSUS & PLACE

Eg CENSUS SUFFOLK

For **burial records** type either:

REGISTERS & PLACE, or, CEMET* & PLACE

Eg CEMET* MELBOURNE or REGISTERS MELBOURNE

For **family histories**, biographies and documents relating to individuals, type:

NAME

Eg SMITH

or William Smith

or BIOGRAPHY & PLACE to find collection

Eg VICTORIA BIOGRAPHY

For **places**, type in the name of the town/village, etc:

Eg BRIGHTON

To limit the result to a specific state/county/country add the relevant place:

eg BRIGHTON SUSSEX, or, BRIGHTON VICTORIA

In general, begin with the specific, then if unsuccessful try a broader subject

Eg LEAD MINE*

MINER*

OCCUPATIONS

or PORT ALBERT

YARRAM

GIPPSLAND

USE AN ASTERISK (*) TO INCLUDE ALL WORD ENDINGS

yorkshire OR whitby Either word. (OR must be all upper case.)

passengers NOT ship* The word vacation and not the word cruise. (NOT must be all upper case.)

"ship" The exact word ship (will not find ships, shipping or shipped, etc.)

"passenger ship"* The exact phrase "passenger ship" or phrases such as "passenger shipping" note (truncation applies to each word in the phrase)

[passengers NEAR coastal] Same as an AND search, but the closer the words are to each other, the more relevant the record is considered. (NEAR must be all upper case and the search enclosed in square brackets.)

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