Finding Good Search Terms
Or
Working with the Library of Congress Subject Headings

Step One: Logging into Worldcat.

- Go to the bottom of the online database page (http://www.library.ucsb.edu/eresources/databases/left.html), and then click on the link to “Worldcat,” which is under “W.”

Step Two: Entering Your Search Term

- Make sure you have a good, general search term you want to use (i.e. “lawyer”).
- Enter the search term as demonstrated below, and then click on the “search” button.

Step Three: Getting Other Search Terms

- After the search is done, you will see something that looks like this:

  ![Search Result Page]

- You will click on the text that says “show my how”, which is right next to “Refine your search”..
After you click on “show me how,” you’ll see a screen that looks like the one below:

You want to click on the link labeled, “Refine your results on Limit Results” (as circled above), and then click on the link labeled “Limit Your Results by Subject Headings”, as seen below:

What will appear will be a list of “subject headings,” which you can use to find information. Be sure to write down the headings for future use.