Your WorldCat account

Benefits of an account

Signing up for a WorldCat account is fast and easy, and requires only an e-mail address. A WorldCat account lets you:

- Create a public profile that lets other WorldCat users know something about you and your interests
- Add a page to your Bookshelf, or add a Favorite Library
- Bookmark & Share your results, or add a link to the page
- Save your search results
- Build and maintain public or private lists of books, videos and many other kinds of items owned by libraries
- Add information to WorldCat records, such as reviews, notes and tags

Created a WorldCat account

Access your account

Once you’ve established a WorldCat account, you can sign in from any WorldCat page. Click the Sign In link in the upper right corner of the screen. Enter your user name and password, then click Continue.

If you forgot your password:

- Click the Forgot your password? link from the pop-up window.
- Click Send me a new password.
- An e-mail with a new password for your account is sent to your e-mail address.

To change your password:

- After you sign in, you may change the password to a preferred password.
- Click Change Password from the My WorldCat drop-down menu at the top of the screen (see image below).
Access your account and Delete a WorldCat account

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1. Click the Forget your password? link from the pop-up window.
2. On the resulting screen, type your E-mail Address.
3. Click Send me a new password.
   Result: An e-mail with a new password for your account is sent to your e-mail address.
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Delete a WorldCat account
Simply use the Feedback form (Click Feedback from the WorldCat drop-down menu or at the bottom of the screen) to let us know you no longer wish to have an account on WorldCat.org. Include your user name and e-mail so we may confirm with you that your account has been deleted.

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Your library membership—the account associated with your library card—is what allows you to perform activities at your library’s Web site, such as reserving a book, join a waiting list, manage your requested items, ask a librarian a question about an item, search databases, or pull up the electronic full text of a magazine article.

Search results and item details often link into these online services at your local library. But only your library membership will give you full access to them. If you do not have a membership at your local library, aren’t sure whether you have already created an account on the library’s Web site, or have forgotten the user name or password associated with your account, visit the account maintenance area on the library’s Web site to see what options are available to you.

Your library can set up to seven custom Web links that will display in the institution’s drop-down menu at the top of the screen (for an example, see the image below). These links lead to useful resources such as your library’s home page, sign in screen, Ask a Librarian, Chat, A to Z journal lists, or your account page.

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