Searching EBSCO databases with Jaws™10

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EBSCO databases open with a cursor in the search field. (Basic search is the default for our library.) Type your search terms and hit ENTER.

Here are the most helpful commands for searching EBSCO databases using the Jaws screen reader:

Jaws commands
INSERT +Z to toggle between your cursor (for the ability to type) and the JAWS cursor
INSERT +F7 to get to a links list (R=return to results. You will use this a lot. N=next, to get to the next grouping of 10 search results. S=subject terms, to learn if your search is finding relevant results.)
INSERT +3 is a passkey which allows you to toggle between Jaws commands and EBSCO-programmed commands

EBSCO programmed commands, in the order you are likely to use them first
ALT +1 to get to the results list
INSERT +Down Arrow to move down the results list (you will need to hit the arrow between 2-4 times to get from one result to the next). Titles are announced preceded by the word "link".
Use Down Arrow by itself to move through the results line by line.
INSERT +F7, N=next, to get to the next grouping of results, then ALT +1 to begin reading.
ALT +2 to get back to the basic search field.
Toggle between the search field (ALT +2) and the results list (ALT +1) if JAWS has trouble progressing past result number 1.
SHIFT +TAB to go back to the previous result's full text link. Repeat SHIFT +TAB to keep going back.
ENTER to select a result and read the citation
After selecting a result, use INSERT +CTL +F to search for the word **Title** and ENTER to run the search and down arrow to read. Some citations include an abstract, which is helpful. Search for the word **Abstract**, then enter, then down arrow.
To save (download) the citation (followed by html full text of the article when available,) use ALT +2 to get back to the search box, and then press the tab key 18 times to get to the **save** icon. Hit enter. Then tab 21 more times to get to a save button. Hit enter. Alt +F will open the file menu in the browser. Select A for **Save As**. Your download should include a persistent link back to the citation.
Results list is the name of your results page. To get back to your results, use the links list.
ALT +3 to get to specific search tabs and the **Ask a Librarian** fill-in-the-blank form.