1. **Academic Phrasebanks**
   Need help finding the right sentence or paragraph starter for an assignment? Academic phrasebanks can help bring your writing skills to the next level.

2. **Build a Subject Glossary**
   As you research, you may find certain words popping up more frequently that relate to your topic. Think of these as search-boosters. Use them if your searches are not finding what you need.

3. **Keep Track of Acronyms**
   Keep a list of the key acronyms in your field. Be mindful that just searching for specific acronyms won't always return what you want, but when used in conjunction with your topic keywords, can help hone your searches to get the best results.

4. **Mine References & Citations**
   Found a great resource on your topic and wish there were more like it? Scroll down to the bottom and look at the references and citations. This should have a lengthy list of resources that could be relevant to your topic. Use this information to search for these on the library website or on Google Scholar.

5. **Command-F or Control-F**
   If you are unsure if a resource has enough relevant content, try this: hit control-f (or command-f on a Mac) and plug in your keywords/phrases. This finds specific words in a document or website, so that you can decide if it is worth reading further.