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### Step 1: Figure out what type of reference it is

A reference to a **book** looks like this:

Author, *Title*, (Publisher, Edition, Date of Publication)


The giveaway is the publishing details.

A **book chapter** reference looks like this:

Author, ‘Chapter Title’ in Editor, *Book Title* (Publisher, Edition, Date of Publication) Starting Page

Peter Millett ‘Proprietary Restitution’ in Simone Degeling and James Edelman (eds) *Equity in Commercial Law* (Lawbook, 2005) 123

This has the publishing details too, but it has more details – the title of the chapter followed by ‘in’.

A **journal article** reference looks like this:

Author, ‘Article Title’ (Year) Volume *Journal Title* Starting Page


You can tell if a reference is for a journal article because there will be two titles (for the article and journal) and two numbers (for the volume and starting page number).
Step 2: Search FindIt@Flinders

Search for a **book**:  
- Type in the title – you can include the author as well  
- Choose to search over ‘Books, journals, DVDs & more’

You need to search for a **book chapter** by typing in the title of the book (as shown above), not the name of the chapter.  
- e.g. search for equity in commercial law  
- **not** proprietary restitution

You can search for a **journal article** by searching for either:

1. **The journal title**  
   - Type in the journal title  
   - Choose to search over ‘Books, journals, DVDs & more’

2. **The title of the article**  
   - Type in the title of the article – you can include the author as well  
   - Choose to search over ‘Articles’

*Please note:* searching for the article title does not always work – if you get no results, try searching for the title of the journal (as shown above).
Step 3: Find the reference

If it is **online**, you will see a ‘View Online’ tab.

For example, if you wanted an article from 1998, you could choose HeinOnline or Informit – the other databases only have access from 2010 and so would not be useful.

If the resource is not online, you can find the resource **in the Library**.

1. Check the publication details match the reference.
2. Note the location and location number – use this to find the book on the shelf.
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