

# Adding Library resource links to Moodle

There are two steps to creating links to Library resources.

1. Check that you can access the full text.
2. Find or create the permanent URL for the book, ebook or ejournal article.

**Watch point!** These instructions show how to create a permanent URL. Links copied and pasted from the browser bar may be dynamic and not last.

## Finding/creating permanent URLs

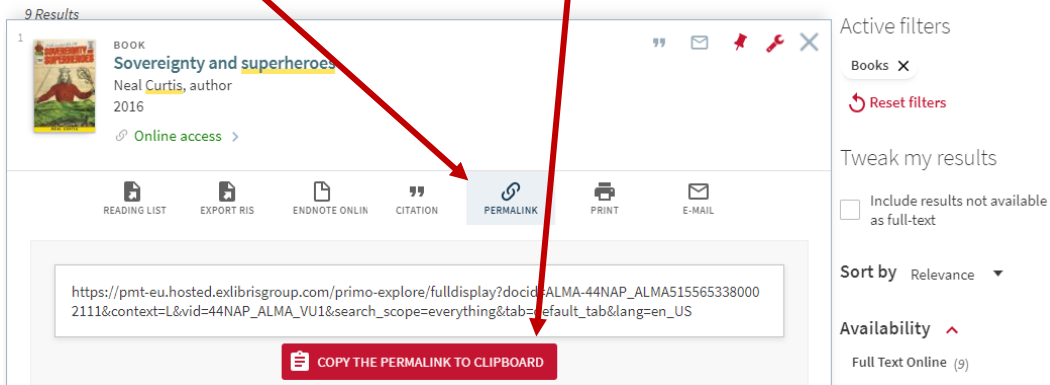
### Books, ebooks, articles (found in LibrarySearch)

**Watch point!** The links copied from LibrarySearch do not need to be put through the Moodle E-Journal Link Helper

1. Search for the item. Click on the dots to reveal actions.

The screenshot shows the LibrarySearch interface with a search for 'superheroes curtis'. The search results show a book titled 'Sovereignty and superheroes' by Neal Curtis, published in 2016. A red arrow points to the three-dot menu icon on the right side of the search results card, indicating where to click to reveal actions.

2. Click on Permalink and Copy the Permalink to the Clipboard.



3. Add to your Moodle module.

### Ejournal articles (found in databases)

#### Finding a DOI or permanent URL

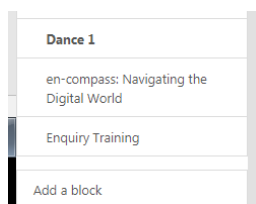
These can be found in the ejournal article record in the database/on the publisher site.

#### Adding a DOI or permanent URL to Moodle

1. Add the E-journal link helper to your module
  - a. Turn editing on



b. The "Add a block" link will be in the bottom left corner.



c. Select E-journal link helper from the list below.

2. Paste the DOI or URL into the box and copy the resulting link.

**E-Journal Link Helper**

Only visible to editors.

Enter the stable URL or the DOI for a journal article, and click *Add* to add the required prefixes. Then test the link.

DOI/URL:

Result:

**Problem with this link?**

**General help on linking to e-journals**

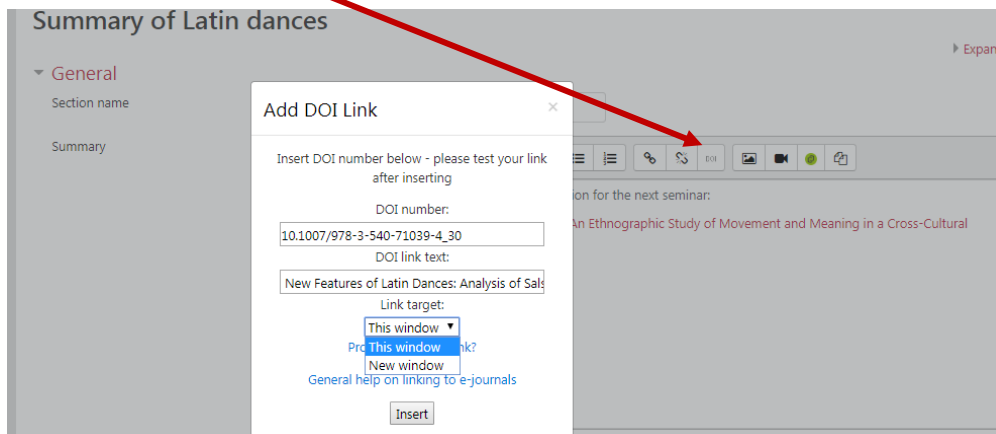
**Watch point!** Use the Moodle E-Journal Link Helper unless the article permanent URL already contains an Edinburgh Napier login link, e.g. <https://search-proquest-com.ezproxy.napier.ac.uk/abicomplete/docview/328920889/303A43CD68E74FD8PQ/9?accountid=16607> (see exceptions below on p.4 for advice).

3. Embed a link within a text area using a URL
- a. Add the article or book title and highlight the text

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- b. Click on the link icon and complete the form below. Save.

4. Embed a link within a text area using a DOI
  - a. Click on the DOI icon, enter the DOI, and the article or book title. Insert. Save.



- b. The links will now appear in your chosen Moodle section.

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### Latin dances

Please read the following 2 books as preparation for the next seminar:

[Salsa Dance and the Transformation of Style: An Ethnographic Study of Movement and Meaning in a Cross-Cultural Context](#)

[New Features of Latin Dances: Analysis of Salsa, ChaCha, and Rumba](#)

**Watch point!** Remember to check that your links work. Any problems, please contact: [library@napier.ac.uk](mailto:library@napier.ac.uk)

### Exceptions

Examples of URLs which already contain the Edinburgh Napier login link are below. These can be copied and inserted into your Moodle module without using the E-Journal Link Helper. **[Remember that permalinks picked up from LibrarySearch have a built in login link and don't need the E-Journal Link Helper, either.]**

DOIs or links to articles located via abstract only databases, e.g. Web of Science, can be found by following the links (where these exist) to the database where the full text is located.

Database	How to find a permanent link
ABI/INFORM (and other ProQuest databases)	<p>1 - From your list of search results, click on Abstract/Details for the article.</p> <p>2 – Scroll down to the Document URL field and copy the URL. e.g.</p> <p><a href="https://login.ezproxy.napier.ac.uk/login?qurl=https%3A%2F%2Fsearch.proquest.com%2Fdocview%2F215577690%3FacFaccoun%3D16607">https://login.ezproxy.napier.ac.uk/login?qurl=https%3A%2F%2Fsearch.proquest.com%2Fdocview%2F215577690%3FacFaccoun%3D16607</a></p>
EBSCOhost	<p>1 – From your list of search results, click on the article title.</p> <p>2 – Select 'Permalink' from the list on the right hand side.</p> <p>3 – Copy the URL that appears in the small Permalink box above the article title. Paste this into your Moodle course.</p> <p><a href="https://login.ezproxy.napier.ac.uk/login?url=https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&amp;db=rzh&amp;AN=129861836&amp;site=ehost-live">https://login.ezproxy.napier.ac.uk/login?url=https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&amp;db=rzh&amp;AN=129861836&amp;site=ehost-live</a></p>
Ovid	<p>OVID 1 – From your search results, click on the PDF icon.</p> <p>2 – Click on 'Email Jumpstart' above the open document.</p> <p>3 – What you do now is dependent on the format of the link. If the link contains the element in bold, you can just copy it: e.g.</p> <p><a href="http://ovidsp.ovid.com.ezproxy.napier.ac.uk/ovidweb.ccg?T=JS&amp;CSC=Y&amp;NEWS=N&amp;PAGE=fulltext&amp;D=ovft&amp;AA=00006416-201403000-00005&amp;PDF=y">http://ovidsp.ovid.com.ezproxy.napier.ac.uk/ovidweb.ccg?T=JS&amp;CSC=Y&amp;NEWS=N&amp;PAGE=fulltext&amp;D=ovft&amp;AA=00006416-201403000-00005&amp;PDF=y</a></p> <p>4 – However if it doesn't, use the E-Journal Link Helper as above.</p>
Web of Science (Abstract only database)	<p>Web of Science does not contain full text. Click on the "Find It" button and then the link in the View It tab. Then look for the DOI or link in that database.</p>

## Copyright

This guide tells you how to link to articles, as downloading and adding articles to Moodle etc may break copyright law. For further information on the use of electronic resources or having material digitised/scanned for teaching, please contact your [Subject Librarian](#).

## External use

If you are sending links to external users, ensure that you do not send links with the Edinburgh Napier prefix.