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EASY SEARCH: The default search is to major American and world publications in English. The search can be expanded to major publications in other languages, news wire services, broadcast transcripts, blogs, legal sources, business sources, or Web publications.

The default search is the most recent two years, but the date range can be reduced or expanded or limited to specific dates.

Search for names or phrases using quotation marks, such as “**economic initiatives**,” “**barack obama**,” etc. for more exact results.

A search statement may resemble the following:
“**political correctness**” and (“**higher education**” or **colleges or universities**).

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES: More full-text news is available from **New York Times Full Text** and **Ethnic NewsWatch**. **Academic Search Premier** and **Reader's Guide Full Text** include text from several weekly newsmagazines.

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