

Search for Novels using the Online Catalog Catalog at Spokane Public Library
(<http://www.spokanelibrary.org>)

- Click on Catalog at the top of the screen. A new search page opens
- Scroll down the search page to **Additional Limits** section. Find the **subject** field, and type one of the key words (search terms) from your “Developing Key Words” Worksheet.

Additional limits:

Format type:

Language:

Library:

Find Don't show Title:

Find Don't show Author:

Find Don't show Subject:

- Scroll further down the search page to the **Limits** section. Check the one of the appropriate boxes such as: **fiction**, or **young adult fiction**.

Search Targets

Library Search

Digital Catalog

Limits

DVDs

Books on CD

Children's Book & CD Set

Children's Fiction

DVDs for Kids

Fiction

Graphic Literature

Large Print Books

Music CDs

Non-Fiction

Reference Material

Young Adult Fiction

- Click on **Advanced Search** in the green bar.
- A list of titles opens.

- To further narrow your search, scroll through the **Subjects** in the **Limit Search Results** column on the left.

The screenshot displays a library search interface. On the left, the 'Limit Search Results' sidebar includes filters for Library, Author, Subject, and Collection. The 'Subject' filter is expanded, showing a list of subject terms with counts. On the right, the search results are displayed, showing two entries for the book 'They May Not Mean To, But They Do' by Cathleen Schine. Each entry includes the book cover, title, author, format, call number, publication date, availability, and holds information.

- Put a check in one of the subjects or click on **More** for more subjects. Click on **Include**.
- A list of titles appears. Read through the titles. When a title connects with your theme click on it to open it. The screen that opens after you click on a title is called the **detailed record**.

The screenshot shows a detailed record for the book 'The love ceiling : a novel' by Jean Davies Okimoto. The record includes the book cover, title, author, ISBN, edition, publication information, physical description, subject terms, and holds information. A 'Google Preview' button is visible at the top right.

- To evaluate a title, read the **detailed record** and look for an **abstract** (summary). If there isn't an **abstract**, find the **summary** tab.

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Summary

After the death of her Japanese American mother, sixty-four-year-old Anne Kuroda Duppstadt finds the courage to confront the toxic legacy of her father, a famous artist and cruel narcissist. When a former art professor invites her to his island art studio, she begins pursuing her lifelong dream to become an artist in her own right. But the needs of her family tug at her heart. Her thirty-two-year-old daughter's love life is falling apart, and Annie's husband, facing retirement, struggles with depression, leading her to conclude, "There is a glass ceiling for women...and it's made out of the people we love." The Love Ceiling draws readers into the soul of a universal theme for women: the pull between family and creative self-expression. It is the story of a daughter, a wife, a mother and grandmother, and a journey into creativity.

Author Notes

Jean Davies Okimoto is an author and playwright whose books and short stories have been translated into Japanese, Italian, Chinese, Korean, German and Hebrew. She is the recipient of numerous awards including Smithsonian Notable Book, the American Library Association Best Book for Young Adults, the Washington Governor's Award, and the International Reading Association Readers Choice Award.

(Bowker Author Biography)

- Does the **summary** connect to your theme? Did you find information about the author? **YOU'VE GOT A WINNER!** Print the screen if the title looks useful for your project.

IF YOU DIDN'T FIND A NOVEL THAT WORKS FOR THIS PROJECT

- Change your keywords. Use another keyword from the "Developing Key Words" worksheet and search again.
- **OR**
- Find one novel in this list that is appropriate for this project. When the title is opened all of its subjects are displayed. Click on any of the subjects and a new list of books appears. Search again through the new list
- **OR**
- Look again in the **Limit Search Results** column on the left. Under **Subject** click **more**. Check boxes for subject headings that you want to include. Search again.

- If you didn't find information on the **author** in the **detailed record**, search Amazon or do an internet search.

