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- Use **Keyword Search** for less common terms, such as proper names
- **Custom Search** lets you build a search using up to three fields
- Search within **People**, **Literature** and **Timeline Events**, for more topic-specific information

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#### KEYWORD SEARCH



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#### CUSTOM SEARCH



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#### PEOPLE



Select "**People**" from the navigation bar. You may search by Name or use the Identify a Person category.

#### LITERATURE



Click on "**Literature**," and you can search one or all of several categories: Author Biographies, Title Search, Encyclopedia of Literature and Literary Eras.

#### TIMELINE EVENTS



Use this search to find topics using a Specific Year, one or more Decades, one or more Centuries or by Timeline Event.

#### TOOLS



On the home page and during your search, you will find more tools to help you. They include:

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- Search Tips
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