Nursing Library Exercise

1. Review the links located on the Bell Library Distance Learning page, http://rattler.tamucc.edu/distlearn/index.htm. The links include:
   - Information about and for distance learners
   - How to find books, magazine and journal articles, and other documents
   - Research Tools
   - Tutorials (especially the first “How to use CINAHL” and the “How to make a InterLibrary Loan Request” sections)
   - Course Reserves
   - Interlibrary Loan/Document Delivery Service

2. Name at least two (2) Medicine/Health databases to which Bell Library has access.

3. Using the topic you selected for your purpose, research question, and hypothesis assignment, list terms or concepts about which you will be searching for information. List at least two terms or phrases, if possible.

4. Using the CINAHL Plus with Full Text database, click on the CINAHL Headings tab near the top of the search screen and search for the controlled vocabulary terms (the words and phrases used by CINAHL or other databases to describe concepts) that are equivalent to your terms and phrases listed in #3 above. List the controlled vocabulary terms here.

5. Taking the terms selected in #4, use Boolean operators (AND, OR, or NOT) to find two (2) electronically-available, peer-reviewed, research journal articles available in the database, CINAHL Plus with Full Text. Write down your search terms. Note: “And” is the default Boolean operator and that it is possible to limit to Peer Reviewed and to Research Article when searching this database.

6. Write the citation for the 2 CINAHL articles you found in APA format.


8. Does Bell Library own or have access to the journal, Journal of Nursing Research? If yes, what format (print, microform, and/or electronic) does Bell Library have?

9. What tool did you use to answer question #8?

10. Does Bell Library have access to 2007 issues of Journal of Nursing Research?