ERIC Thesaurus

ERIC Thesaurus contains education-related terms called Descriptors which function as subject headings or tags. Using Descriptors in your ERIC database searching can help you retrieve records of greater relevance to your topic.

To search the Thesaurus choose the link to the thesaurus at the top of the ERIC page.

Use the Browsing ERIC—Thesaurus search box to locate potential descriptors. It is generally helpful to switch to Relevancy Ranked for this search.
You can also explore your chosen descriptor for broader, narrower, or related terms.

Select term, then add to search using: OR Add

- **Reading Comprehension**
  - Broader Terms
    - **Comprehension**
    - **Reading Skills**
  - Related Terms
    - **Basic Vocabulary**
    - **Cloze Procedure**
    - **Content Area Reading**
    - **Critical Reading**
    - **Decoding (Reading)**
    - **Directed Reading Activity**
    - **Informal Reading Inventories**

Now you can perform searches using your descriptors. You will want to change the search field to Subject to limit your search to that field.