**5 GOLDEN RULES**

**RESEARCHING FOR AN ASSIGNMENT**

1

**KNOW WHAT YOUR RESEARCH GOAL IS**

Identify the key concepts. What is your assignment about? What type of information do you need to find?

**2**

**CHOOSE YOUR RESEARCH TOOL BASED ON YOUR INFORMATION NEED**

Use a search tool that links to academic sources such as peer reviewed/scholarly literature.

**3**

**USE ONLY THE BEST QUALITY INFORMATION**

Choose scholarly sources that offer the most recent and relevant evidence for your assignment task.

**4**

**BE OPEN TO CONDUCTING MULTIPLE SEARCHES AND KEEPING ACCURATE RECORDS**

Several searches may be needed to get a broad and comprehensive range of information. Be organised and keep a record of your different search terms and results.

**5**

**STAY FOCUSED ON YOUR ASSIGNMENT TOPIC/QUESTION**

Keep referring to your assignment question/topic to ensure you stay on track and find the right information.