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# Year 9 Biological Sciences

Unit 1 – Body Systems.

Unit 2 – Reproductive Systems.

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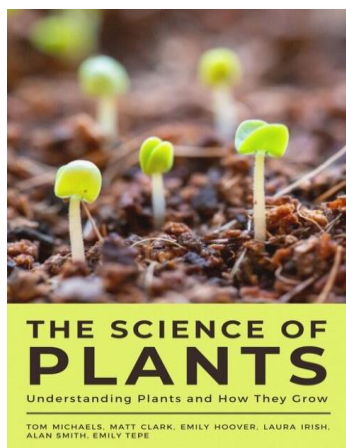
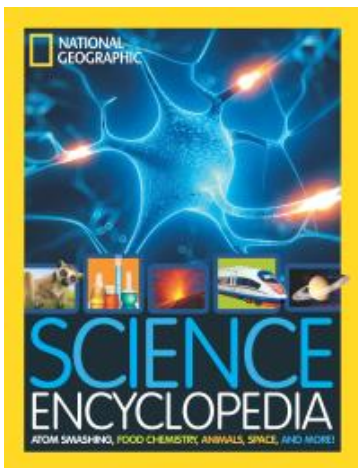
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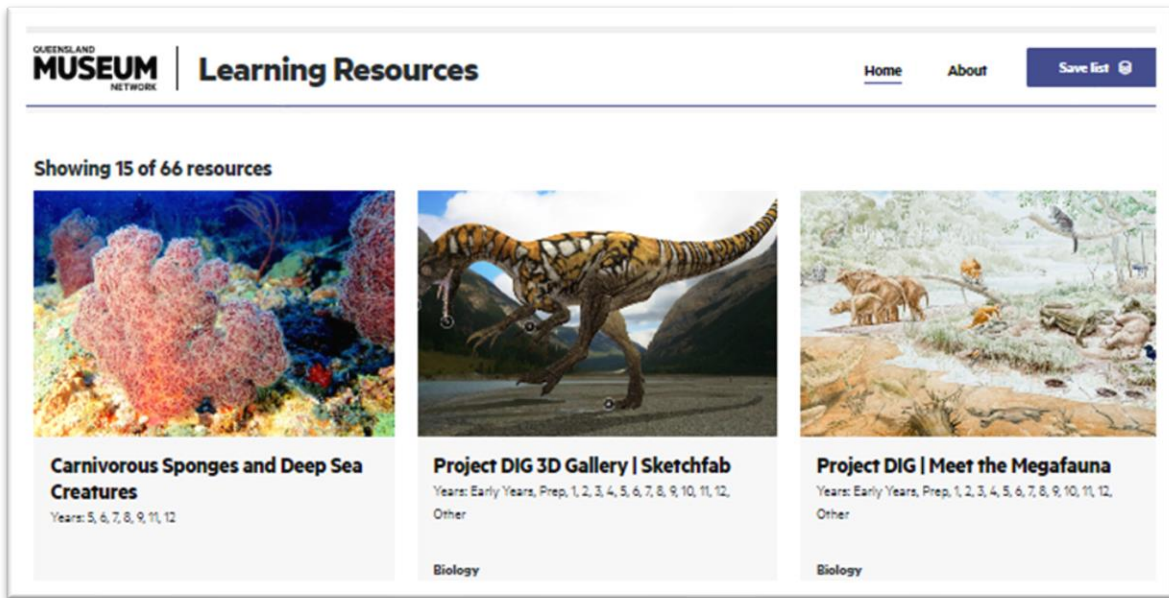
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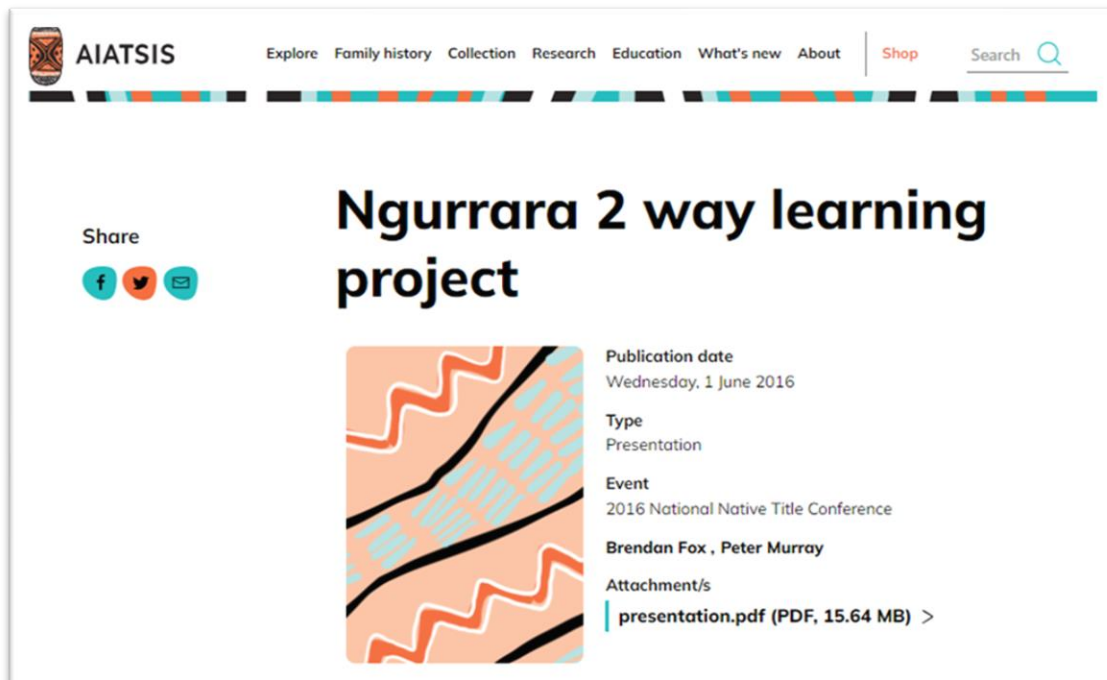
[Queensland Museum](#) provide Learning Resources website students with many activities, fact sheets, images, and videos.



The screenshot shows the 'Learning Resources' page on the Queensland Museum website. The header includes the museum logo, navigation links for 'Home' and 'About', and a 'Save list' button. Below the header, it states 'Showing 15 of 66 resources'. Three resource cards are displayed:

- Carnivorous Sponges and Deep Sea Creatures**  
Years: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12
- Project DIG 3D Gallery | Sketchfab**  
Years: Early Years, Prep, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, Other  
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- Project DIG | Meet the Megafauna**  
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The [Australian Institute Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies](#) is a powerful tool for First Nations reading and research. Their online database and research projects can provide incredible insight into science from the First Nations perspective.



The screenshot shows a resource page on the AIATSIS website. The header includes the AIATSIS logo, navigation links for 'Explore', 'Family history', 'Collection', 'Research', 'Education', 'What's new', and 'About', a 'Shop' button, and a search bar. The main content area features the title 'Ngurrara 2 way learning project' and a 'Share' button with social media icons. Below the title is a thumbnail image with a wavy pattern. To the right of the image, the following details are listed:

- Publication date**  
Wednesday, 1 June 2016
- Type**  
Presentation
- Event**  
2016 National Native Title Conference
- Brendan Fox , Peter Murray**
- Attachment/s**  
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# Body Systems

Compare the role of body systems in regulating and coordinating the body's response to a stimulus, and describe the operation of a negative feedback mechanism

- exploring the body's observable responses to external stimuli (such as changes in light or temperature, or presence of danger or pathogens) or internal stimuli (such as dehydration or hunger).
- using models, flow diagrams and virtual simulations to explore and represent the relationships between body systems that are necessary to coordinate a response to stimuli.
- comparing the role and function of electrical impulses and hormones in the body's responses to external stimuli.
- modelling how the process of regulation is monitored and adjusted by connections between the receptor, command centre and effector.
- examining the effects of a disorder in a feedback system, such as diabetes-induced blindness or hypothermia.
- considering how understanding of feedback mechanisms has enabled the development of pharmaceuticals and other products to address issues or enhance performance, such as insulin or electrolytes in sports drinks.



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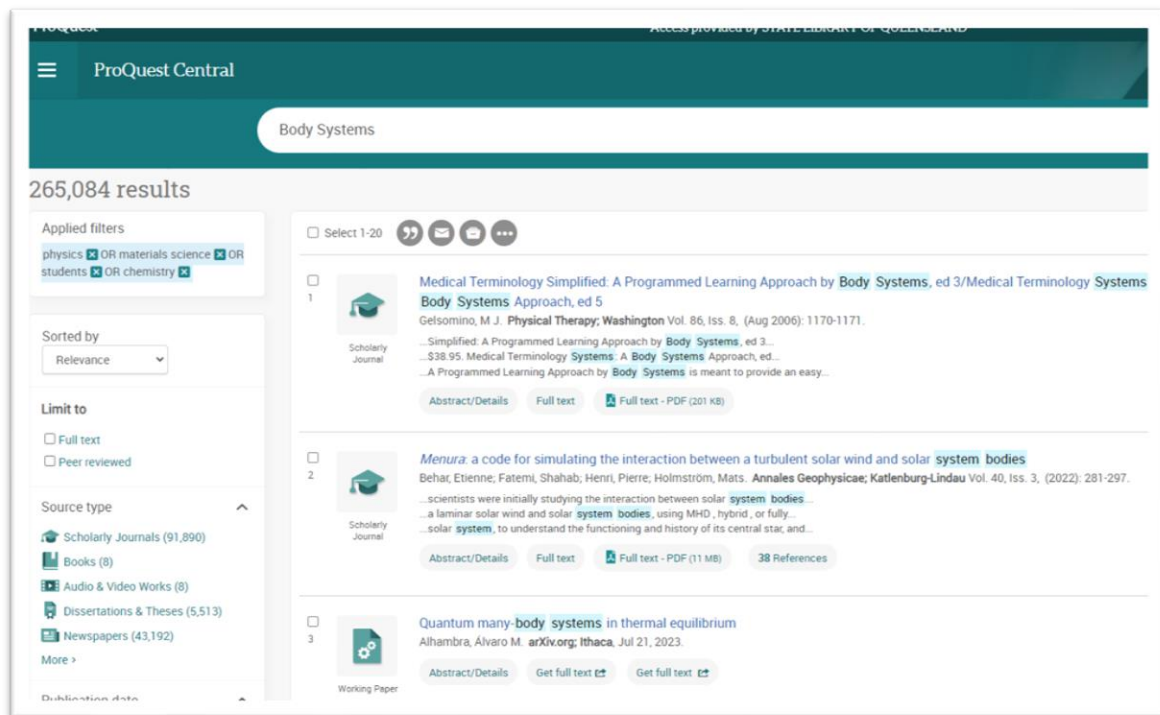
[JSTOR](#) provides access to more than 12 million scholarly journal articles and eBooks, and is especially good for primary sources.

The screenshot shows the JSTOR search results page for the query 'Body Systems'. The page displays 758,443 results. On the left, there is a 'Refine Results' sidebar with filters for 'ACCESS TYPE' (Everything, Content I can access), 'SEARCH WITHIN RESULTS', and 'CONTENT TYPE' (Academic content: Journals, Book Chapters, Research Reports; Primary source content: Serials, Documents, Images). The main results area shows two journal articles. The first is 'Building body systems' by Alison E. Cochrane and Worku Bihonegne, published in Science Scope, Vol. 20, No. 8 (MAY 1997), pp. 35-36. The second is 'Making Sense of the Human Body' by Helena Castle, Kira Lowery, and Shelly R. Rodriguez M, published in Science Scope, Vol. 43, No. 7, TURNING STEM INTO STEAM (MARCH 2020), pp. 12-17. Each article has a 'Download' button and a 'Cite' button.

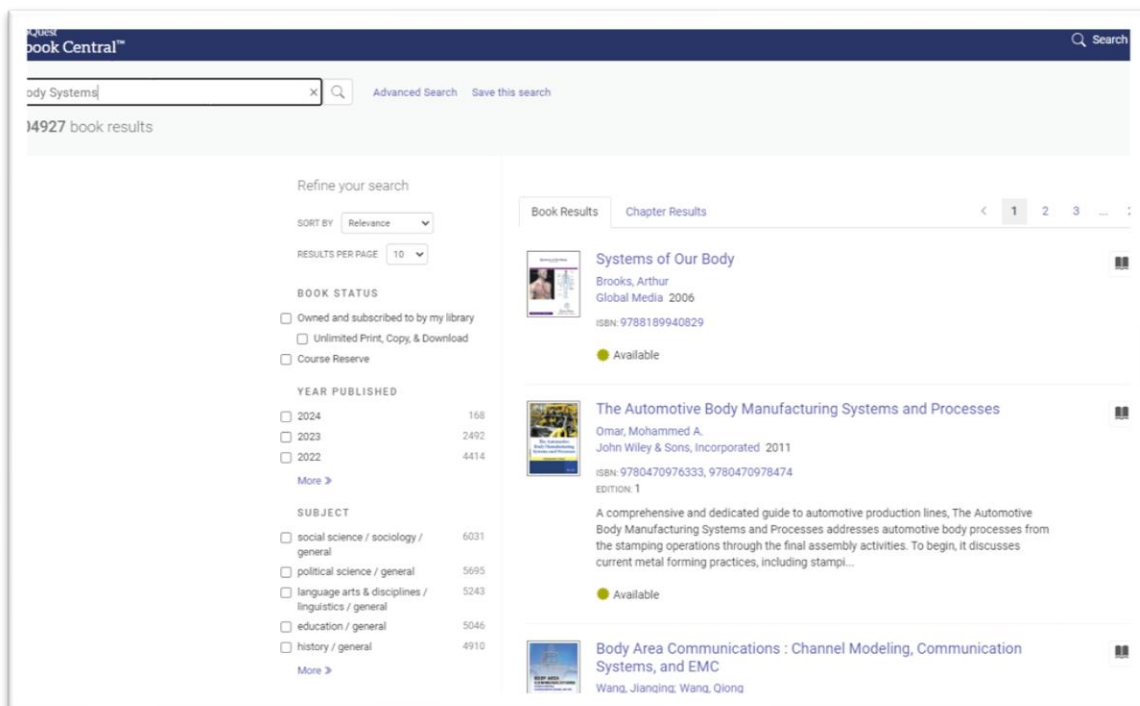
[Gale Interactive: Science](#) provides a comprehensive view of the most-studied science subjects. Authoritative, high-quality digital content is paired with interactive 3D models.

The screenshot shows the Gale Interactive Science website search results for 'Body Systems'. The page features a 'FILTER BY CATEGORY' sidebar on the left with various science subjects like Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, and Human Anatomy. The main results area shows 45 search results, including interactive 3D models and descriptions for the Skeleton, Urinary System, Digestive System, Blood, Respiratory System: Alveoli, Explore: Digestive System, and Male Reproductive System. Each result includes a brief description and relevant educational standards.

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# Reproductive Systems

Describe the form and function of reproductive cells and organs in animals and plants, and analyse how the processes of sexual and asexual reproduction enable survival of the species.

- Examining how the male and female reproductive organ structures work collectively as a system.
- Explaining how the forms of male and female gametes relate to their specific function.
- Identifying and comparing sexual and asexual reproductive strategies in plants.
- Exploring how sexual reproduction creates a greater rate of variation among offspring compared with asexual reproduction.
- Examining how the reproductive strategies of multicellular animals are related to their environment and the complexity of the organism.
- Examining how the number of offspring produced by animals is related to the amount of parental care.

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The screenshot shows the Britannica Library website interface for teens. At the top, the 'Britannica Library' logo is on the left, and a search bar is on the right. Below the logo, there are navigation tabs for 'Teens', 'Your Britannica Resources', 'Research Tools and Materials', 'Help', and 'My Britannica'. The main heading is 'You searched for "reproduction"'. Below this, it says 'DISPLAYING 1 - 10 OF 182 RESULTS.'. There are filters for 'Reading Level' (1, 2, 3) and 'Advanced Search'. The main content area shows 'Articles' and 'Images' tabs. The first result is for 'plant (life-form)', with a star icon and text '- TOP 3 RESULTS. 5 MORE RESULTS IN PLANT.'. Below this, there are three sub-sections: 'Asexual Reproduction', 'Sexual Reproduction', and 'Plant Reproduction and Growth'. The 'Asexual Reproduction' section says: 'Asexual **Reproduction** | Some plants may reproduce asexually. Mosses and liverworts, for example, often have cuplike structures on their leaves or stems ...'. The 'Sexual Reproduction' section says: 'Sexual **Reproduction** | In sexual **reproduction** male and female cells, called gametes, unite to form a single cell, called a zygote. This zygote then undergoes ...'. The 'Plant Reproduction and Growth' section says: 'Plant **Reproduction** and Growth | Plants continue to live on Earth by producing new plants. This process, called **reproduction**, may be asexual (without the union ...'. At the bottom, there is a 'living things' link with a star icon.

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The screenshot shows the JSTOR search interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'All Content' and 'Images', and a search bar containing the word 'Reproduction'. Below the search bar, there are filters for 'Developmental & Cell Biology' and 'Science & Technology Studies', and a 'Sort by: Relevance' dropdown. The main results area shows two journal articles:

- Introduction: Communicating Reproduction** by Nick Hopwood, Peter Murray Jones, Lauren Kassell, and Jim Secord. From the *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*, Vol. 89, No. 3, Special Issue: Communicating Reproduction (Fall 2015), pp. 379-405.
- Aristotle on the Mechanism of Inheritance** by Devin Henry. From the *Journal of the History of Biology*, Vol. 39, No. 3 (Autumn, 2006), pp. 425-455.

Each article has a 'Download' button and 'Save' and 'Cite' options. On the left side, there is a 'Refine Results' sidebar with sections for 'ACCESS TYPE', 'SEARCH WITHIN RESULTS', and 'CONTENT TYPE'.

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- Male Reproductive System**: The main tasks of the male reproductive system are to produce sperm cells and to introduce sperm into the female reproductive tract.
- Female Reproductive System**: The female reproductive system produces female gametes (eggs), provides a place for eggs to be fertilized by sperm, houses a developing fetus, and gives birth to offspring.
- Pine Cone**: A pine cone is the reproductive organ of a pine tree.
- Ovarian Cycle**: During the ovarian cycle, the immature egg, or oocyte, matures, erupts from the ovary, travels to the uterus in a monthly sequence.
- Uterus**: The uterus, or womb, is a muscular organ in which a fetus develops during pregnancy. The human uterus is a single uterus geared to gestating a single fetus.

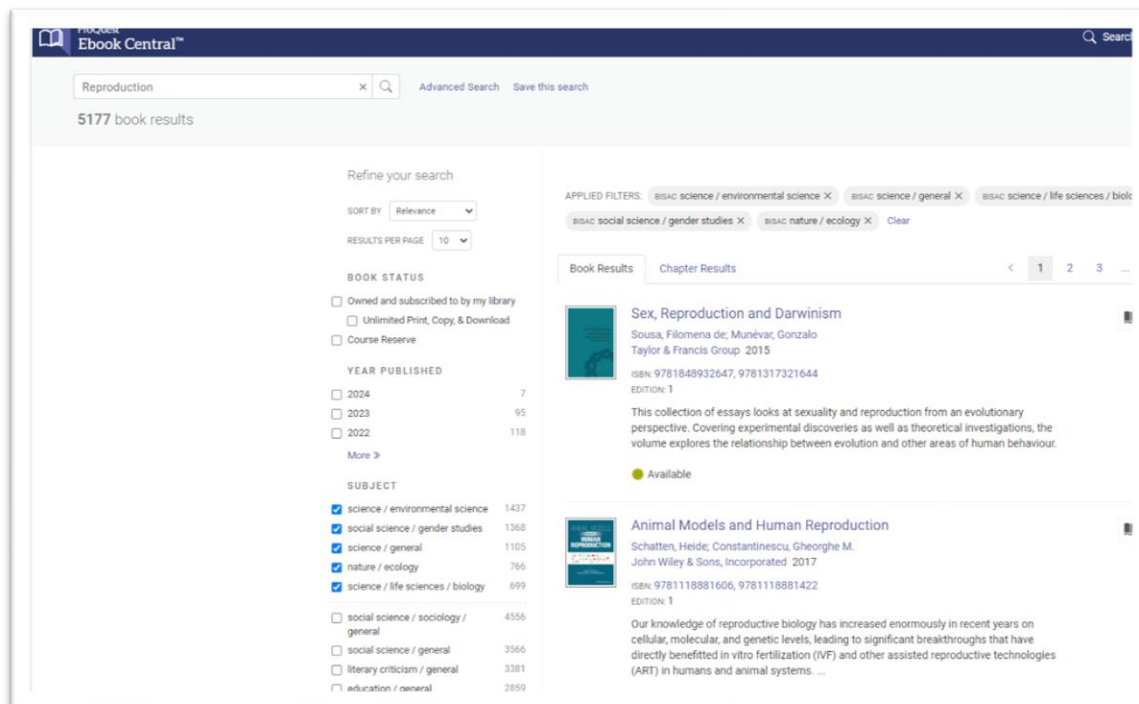
[Gale Health and Wellness](#) provides access to trusted medical reference materials including journals, pamphlets, and health-related videos and articles from over 2,200 publications.

The screenshot shows the Gale Health and Wellness interface. At the top, there's a search bar with 'reproduction' entered and an 'Advanced Search' button. Navigation icons for 'Browse Topics', 'Search History', 'Get Link', and 'Highlights And N' are visible. Below the search bar, it says 'Showing results for' and lists 'Content Types' with counts: Reference (80), Audio (100), Magazines (5,268), News (33,250), Videos (28), and Academic Journals (6,993). There's a 'Filter your results' section with buttons for 'Subjects', 'Publication Title', 'Document Type', 'Publication Date', 'Sections', and 'Search With'. A list of filters includes 'Full Text Documents' (checked), 'Document Contains Images', 'Consumer Health', 'En Español', and 'Peer-Reviewed Journals'. The main content area shows a result for 'The Reproductive System' with a snippet: 'The reproductive system makes life possible. A specific individual does not need the system to survive, but the human race does. Without the reproductive system, babies would not be born to grow into adults to give birth...'

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The screenshot shows the ProQuest Central search results page for 'Reproduction'. It displays '1,004 results'. On the left, there are 'Applied filters' for 'times', 'OR humans', 'OR animal', 'OR pregnancy', 'OR plant', 'OR reproduction', 'OR males', and 'OR biology'. There's also a 'Sorted by' dropdown set to 'Relevance'. A 'Limit to' section includes 'Full text' and 'Peer reviewed'. A 'Resource type' section lists 'Scholarly Journals (263,413)', 'Books (3)', 'Audio & Video Works (4)', 'Dissertations & Theses (17,744)', and 'Newspapers (20,184)'. The main results area shows three items: 1. 'A little bit pregnant: towards a pluralist account of non-sexual reproduction' by Hall, Georgina Antonia, from the Journal of Medical Ethics; 2. 'Vocalization Behavior of Chinese Bahaba (Bahaba taipingensis) during the Reproduction Season' by Li, Hongquan, Song, Zhongchang, Hui, Jiangang, Su, Yingnan, Fu, Weijie, et al., from the Journal of Marine Science and Engineering; 3. 'New choreographies of inequalities in reproduction: an overview of assisted reproduction market' by Garcia, Sandra Mara, from JBRA Assisted Reproduction, Brasilia. Each result includes a 'Full Text' button and a 'References' count.

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