

# Advanced Internet Search Operators

## Quick Reference Guide

### "Quotes"

#### Exact Phrase

Example: "It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man of good fortune, must be in want of a wife"

### AND {can be implied or stated as part of search phrase}

#### Find both/all words

Example: cookies milk

### OR

#### Find either of two words

Example: New Zealand OR Christchurch

### (Parenthesis)

#### Specifies the order of operators

Example: (gorilla OR ape) AND behavior

### + [plus sign]

#### Find Exact word, no other tenses or forms of it

Example: Louis+XIV

### - [minus sign]

#### Do Not Include word following the -

Example: flick -movie

### ~ [tilde sign]

#### Search for synonyms in addition to word following ~

Example: ~contemporary dance

### \* [star sign]

#### Find two words with one or more other words in between

Example: rose \* sweet

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### **define:**

Defines the term that follows

Example: **define:**cessation

### **link:**

Finds pages linked to the site that follows

Example: **link:**www.wikipedia.org

### **#...#**

Finds a term and a specified number range (years, currency, etc.)

Example: **dishwasher \$300...\$\_800**

### **info:**

Finds information about a specified web page

Example: **info:**www.snopes.com

### **related:**

Finds pages related to a specified web page

Example: **related:**www.consumerreports.org

### **filetype:**

Finds only specified file type

Example: lesson plan **filetype:**pdf

### **cache:**

Finds the cached page of the one specified

Example: **cache:**www.kidsbiology.com

### **intitle:**

Finds pages with specified term(s) in the title

Example: Shakespeare **intitle:**tragic

### **allintitle:**

Finds pages with all search terms in the title

Example: **allintitle:**animal research kids

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### **inurl:**

Finds pages with specified term(s) in the url

Example: Princeton **inurl:library**

### **allinurl:**

Finds pages with all search terms in the url

Example: **allinurl:library financial aid**

### **intext:**

Finds pages where specified term(s) appear somewhere in the text of the page

Example: Doanld Trump **intext:celebrity apprentice**

### **allintext:**

Finds pages where all search terms appear somewhere in the text of the page

Example: **allintext:chicken tomato sauce**

### **site:**

- **Search sites of a Particular Domain**

Example: library **site:.edu**

A list of domain extensions:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_Internet\\_top-level\\_domains](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Internet_top-level_domains)

- **Search sites from a Specific Country**

Example: floods **site:au**

A list of country codes:

<http://www.google.com/cse/docs/resultsxml.html#countryCodes>

- **Search a Particular Website**

Example: calendar **site:www.sas.edu.sg**