

Spotting What You Need, When You Need It: Advanced Searching



SEARCH TRICKS

Both Words – elementary AND education

Exact Phrase – “elementary education”

Exclude Phrases – “elementary education” NOT kindergarten

Safe Search - Safesearch:“elementary education”

Specific Filetypes - “elementary education” filetype:pdf (doc, pdf, ppt, xls)

Within a Site - “elementary education” site:www.msu.edu

SEARCH ENGINES

Altavista	http://www.altavista.com/	Finds multimedia in specific durations, file sizes, formats
Blinkx	http://www.blinkx.com/	Searches across video search engines
Clusty	http://clusty.com/	Clusters search results by topics
FlickrCC	http://flickrcc.bluemountains.net/index.php	Finds images with Creative Commons licenses
Google Books	http://books.google.com	Searches within the text of books
Google Scholar	http://scholar.google.com	Finds only scholarly articles, books, & citations
Jamendo	http://www.jamendo.com/en/	Finds music you can use in publications and websites
Odeo	http://odeo.com/	Finds podcasts
Quintura	http://www.quintura.com	Displays results as a visual concept web
Sputtr	http://www.sputtr.com	Visual directory of search engines
Stock Xchg	http://www.sxc.hu/	Finds images okay for use in publications and websites
Teacher Tube	http://www.teachertube.com/ (Type elementary into the search box)	Finds education-related videos
Technorati	http://www.technorati.com	Finds blogs
Ujiko	http://www.ujiko.com/v2a/flash.php?langue=en	Clustered, layered, visual search

Interactive Search Tutorials & Wizards for Students & Teachers

- Boolean Primer - <http://www.internettutorials.net/boolean.html>
- Google Guide - <http://www.googleguide.com/index.html>
- Noodle Tools - <http://www.noodletools.com/debbie/literacies/information/5locate/adviceengine.html>
- Search Wizard - <http://21cif.imsa.edu/tools/locate/>

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