

Today's Topics

Goal –

When you research a subject, you will be aware of the many online tools available for finding information and how best to use them.

- Brief Internet history
- Online encyclopedias
- Search engines
- Library research databases

The Internet

- ❑ Idea began in 1962 with a series of memos written by Dr. Joseph Carl Robnett Licklider, a director at the U.S Department of Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)
- ❑ Concept entitled “Galactic Network”
- ❑ The first Internet – ARPANET – was successfully demonstrated at the International Computer Communication Conference in 1972.



<http://www.internetociety.org>

The World Wide Web

- ❑ World Wide Web ≠ Internet
- ❑ Sir Tim Berners-Lee invented the World Wide Web in 1989
- ❑ CERN places the World Wide Web technology in the public domain in 1993



<http://webfoundation.org/about/vision/history-of-the-web>

The Early Days: Web Directories

- ❑ Web directories are organized Web site listings put together by human reviewers who consider the information to be of high quality

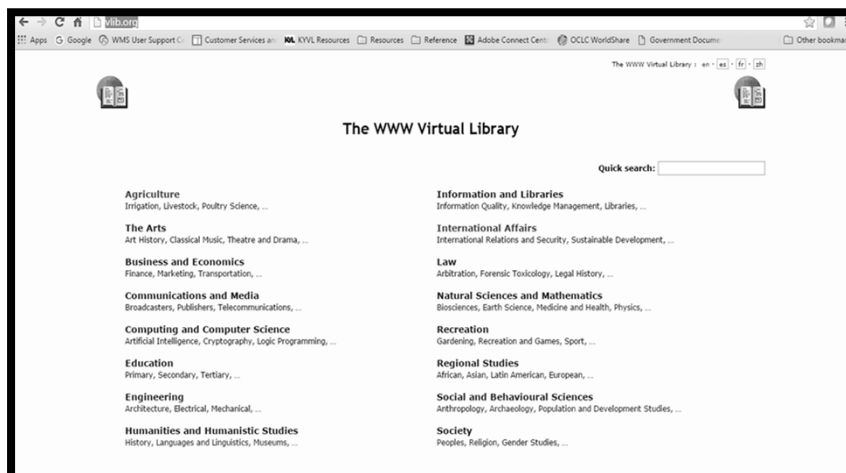


Wayback Machine - <https://archive.org/web>

Web Directories

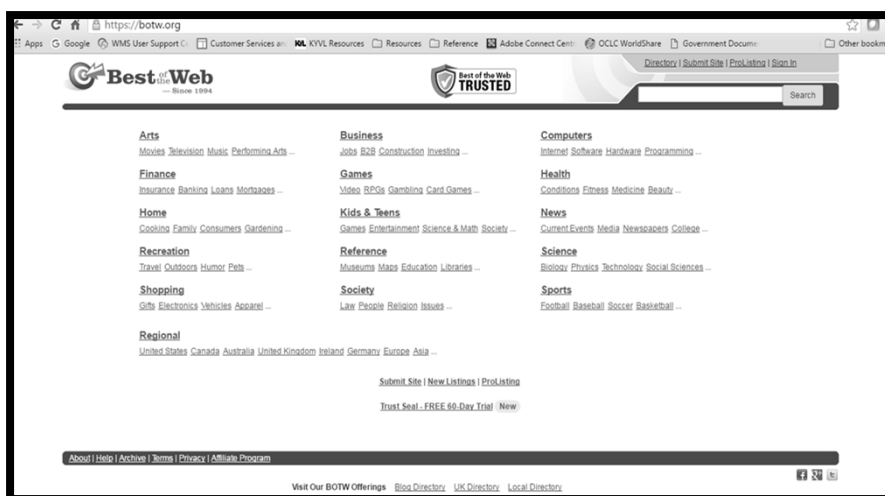


Current Web Directories



<http://vlib.org>

Current Web Directories



<https://botw.org/>

Online Encyclopedias

Free Online Encyclopedias



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To Wikipedia...or not...

Free Online Encyclopedias

Wikipedia Pros

- ❑ To generate ideas and learn new terminology associated with your topic
- ❑ To help generate search terms to use in searching more reliable sources. Pay attention to embedded links, bolded words, and the table of contents
- ❑ To find other more objective, reliable sources in the bibliography usually found at the bottom of each entry

Wikipedia Cons

- ❑ Information on Wikipedia is contributed by anyone who wants to post material, regardless of expertise level
- ❑ Contributors do not have to use their real names or provide any information about who they are – no transparency
- ❑ Information may be outdated, incorrect, or posted by someone who wants to spread misinformation, or by someone with an agenda

Free Online Encyclopedias

The screenshot shows the Infoplease website interface. At the top, the logo "Infoplease" is on the left, and "Tools" and a search icon are on the right. The main content area is titled "St. Patrick's Day" with a "Cite" button. Below the title is a photograph of a church with a tall spire, identified as "The Hill of Tara, where St. Patrick is supposed to have begun converting the Irish." Below the photo is a short paragraph: "It's almost St. Patrick's Day, a day honoring the patron saint of Ireland and Irish heritage. Learn more about St. Patrick, the holiday, and how communities celebrate worldwide. St. Patrick's Day | St. Patrick's Day: More Dallas than Dublin | St. Patrick's Day by the Numbers". To the right of the main text is an "ADVERTISEMENT" placeholder. Below the main text are two sections: "Most Popular" with links for "Women's History Month", "A celebration of women's many accomplishments", and "Biographies of Notable Women"; and "Featured Video" with a link for "Kidpiration Interview with Jane Goodall" and a sub-link "A kid-friendly interview with famed conservationist Jane Goodall". At the bottom left, there is a small "By Brantley's Place" logo and the text "Waiting for chris@infoplease.com".

www.infoplease.com

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The screenshot shows the Scholarpedia website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with options like 'Page', 'Discussion', 'Read', 'View source', and 'View history'. Below this is a large banner that says 'Welcome to Scholarpedia' and 'the peer-reviewed open access encyclopedia, where knowledge is curated by communities of experts.' To the left is a sidebar with a 'Main page' section and a 'Focus areas' section listing subjects like Astrophysics, Chemical mechanics, Computational neuroscience, etc. The main content area has three columns: 'Writing' (Academics author encyclopedic articles...), 'Publication' (Each article undergoes scholarly peer-review...), and 'Curation' (As the field advances, an expert curator vets article revisions...). Below these are sections for 'Established faculty and researchers' (Disseminate, Pioneer, Steward) and 'Students and writers' (Collaborate, Learn, Publish). At the bottom, there's a 'WEEKLY FEATURED AUTHOR' section for Wu-Ki Tung and a 'PRINTED ENCYCLOPEDIAS' section.

<http://www.scholarpedia.org>

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<http://en.citizenidium.org>

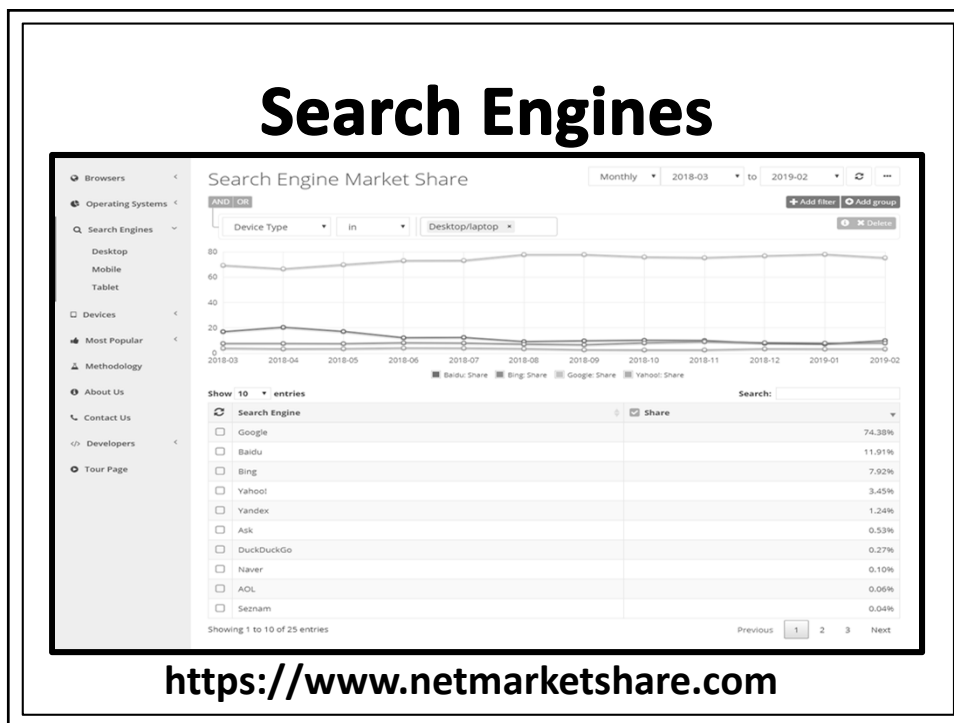
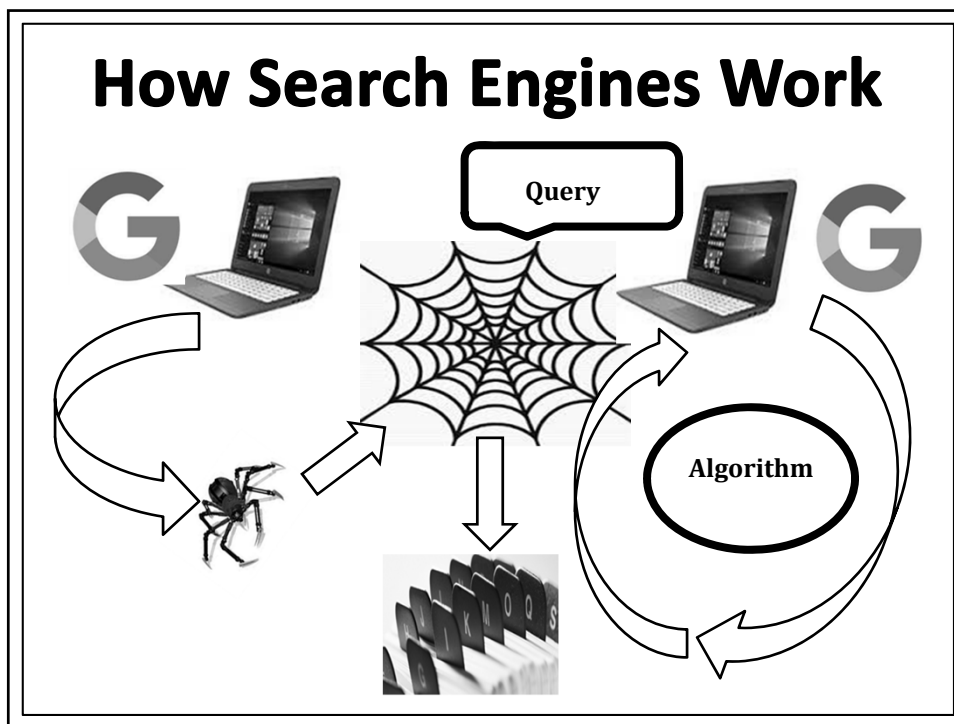
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“The Web is so unfathomably large that we can only guess its true size, and yet, web search engines can find relevant web pages in a fraction of a second.”

Spraul, V. Anton. *How Software Works: The Magic Behind Encryption, CGI, Search Engines, and Other Everyday Technologies.*





Search Engines

Meta Search Engines – metacrawlers don't crawl the web themselves to build listings. They allow searches to be sent to several search engines all at once, blending the top results on one page.

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www.startpage.com

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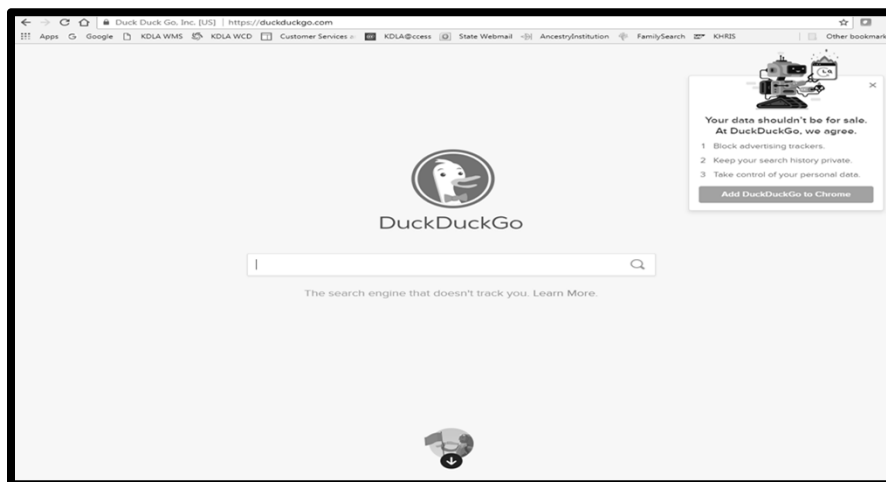


www.dogpile.com

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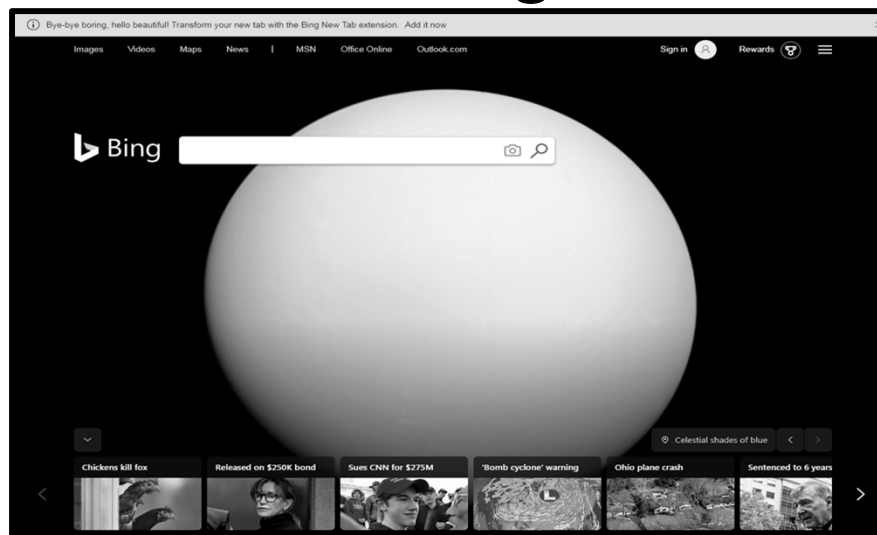
Newer Search Engines – may view results from sources such as blogs and social media, have results organized more like a “desktop,” protect privacy by not tracking search activity

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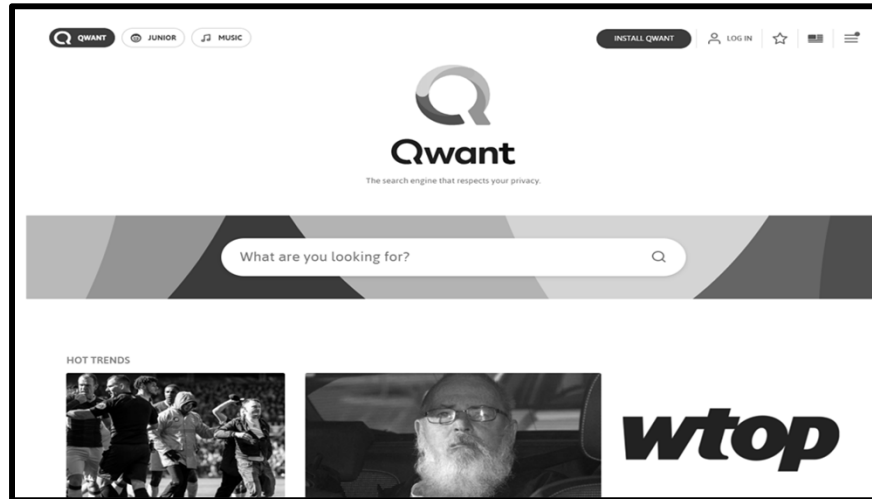
<https://duckduckgo.com>

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<https://www.bing.com>

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<http://www.qwant.com>

General Internet Search Tips

- When using the Web, try more than one search engine
- Refine your keyword search
 - Get specific
 - Use “unique” words
 - Use synonyms
- Find *if* and *which* search operators work with the search engine you are using



Google Specific Search Tips

Search Operators

You can use search operators and other punctuation to get more specific search results. Except for the examples below, Google Search usually ignores punctuation.

Punctuation & symbols

Even though you can use the punctuation marks below when you search, including them doesn't always improve the results. If we don't think the punctuation will give you better results, you'll see suggested results for that search without punctuation.

Symbol How to use it

+ Search for Google+ pages or blood types

Examples: +Chrome or AB+

@ Find social tags

Example: @agoogler

\$ Find prices

Example: nikon \$400

Find popular hashtags for trending topics

Example: #throwbackthursday

Google Specific Search Tips

Search Operators Cont.

Symbol How to use it

- When you use a dash before a word or site, it excludes sites with that info from your results. This is useful for words with multiple meanings, like Jaguar the car brand and jaguar the animal.

Examples: jaguar speed -car or pandas -site:wikipedia.org

" When you put a word or phrase in quotes, the results will only include pages with the same words in the same order as the ones inside the quotes. Only use this if you're looking for an exact word or phrase, otherwise you'll exclude many helpful results by mistake.

Example: "imagine all the people"

***** Add an asterisk as a placeholder for any unknown or wildcard terms.

Example: "a * saved is a * earned"

.. Separate numbers by two periods without spaces to see results that contain numbers in a range.

Example: camera \$50..\$100

Google Specific Search Tips

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Operator **How to use it**

site: Get results from certain sites or domains.

Examples: olympics site:nbc.com and olympics site:.gov

related: Find sites that are similar to a web address you already know.

Example: related:time.com

OR Find pages that might use one of several words.

Example: marathon OR race

info: Get information about a web address, including the cached version of the page, similar pages, and pages that link to the site.

Example: info:google.com

cache: See what a page looks like the last time Google visited the site.

Example: cache:washington.edu



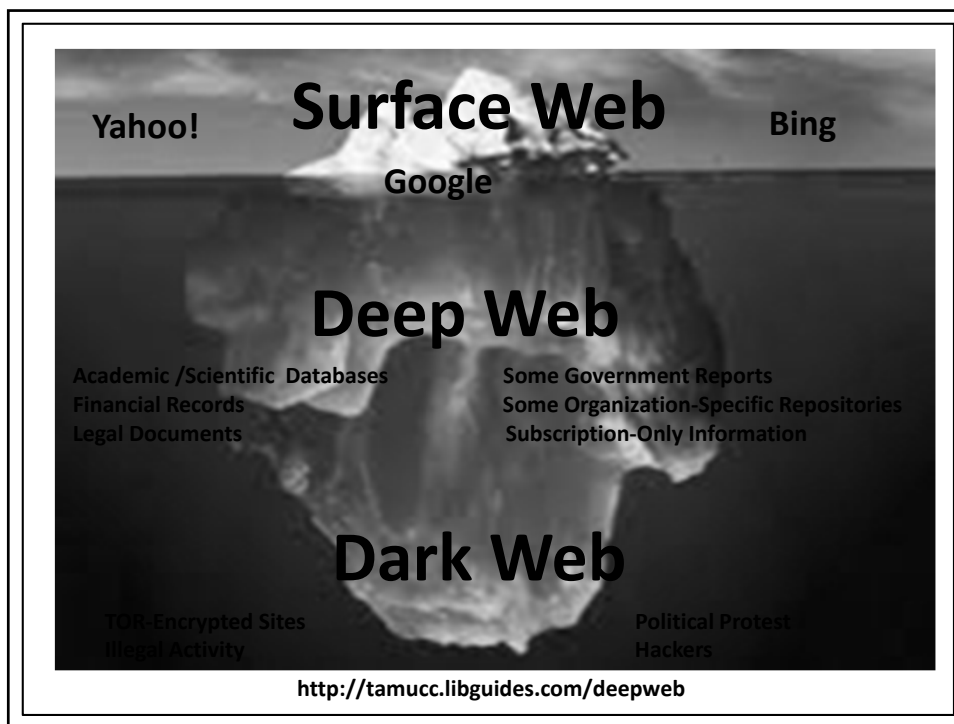
***Note:** When you search using operators or punctuation marks, don't add any spaces between the operator and your search terms. A search for site:nytimes.com will work, but site: nytimes.com won't.*

<https://support.google.com/websearch/answer/2466433?hl=en>

Analyzing Web Search Results

Analyze Web results for trustworthiness:

- **Audience** – To whom is the site directed – children, adults, students?
- **Authority** – Is the author of the site listed? Can you determine his/her expertise? Is contact information given – phone number, address, e-mail? With what organization is he/she associated?
- **Bias** - Does the language, tone, or treatment of its subject give the site a particular slant or bias? Is the site objective? Is it designed to sway opinion? Organizational affiliation can often indicate bias.
- **Currency** – Is the site up-to-date with working links? Are dates given for when it was created and last updated? Is the topic current?
- **Scope** – Is the site an in-depth study of the topic going several pages deep, or is it a superficial, single-page look at the subject? Are statistics and sources referenced properly cited?



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- Contain information from published works, such as magazines, professional journals, newspaper articles, encyclopedias, and reference books
- Are searchable by keywords, subject, author, magazine, title, date, etc.
- Provide citation information (author, title, publication, publisher, date of publication)
- Often contain full-text articles, in addition to citations, which you can save, share, or print
- Can be specific to a topic or type of information, such as Biography Resource Center or Business Source Premier

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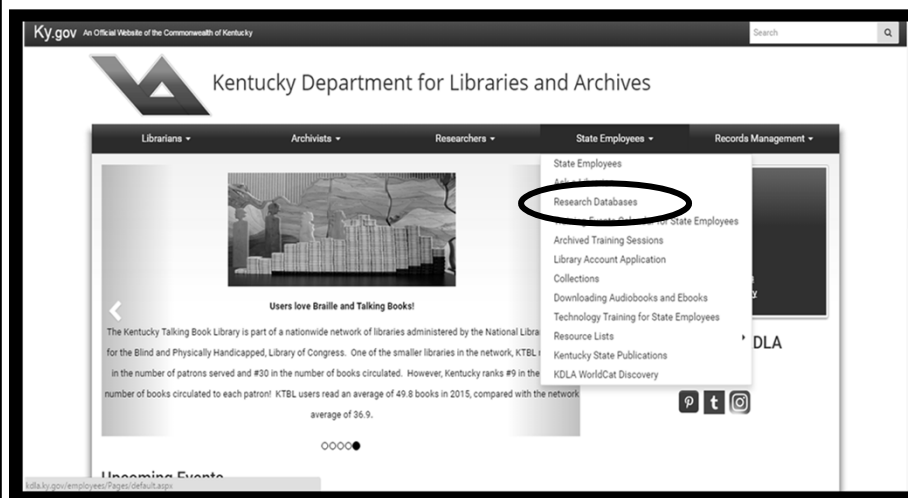
- Get information from professionals or experts in the field
- Contain published works where facts are checked
- Are easy to cite, often create a bibliography citation for you
- Can help you narrow your topic or suggest related topics
- Are updated frequently

Websites

- Can be written by anyone
- Content is not necessarily checked by an expert
- Often don't provide the information necessary to create a citation
- Often aren't organized to support research needs
- May not indicate when the information was updated

Adapted from the Hennepin County Library website

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kdla.ky.gov

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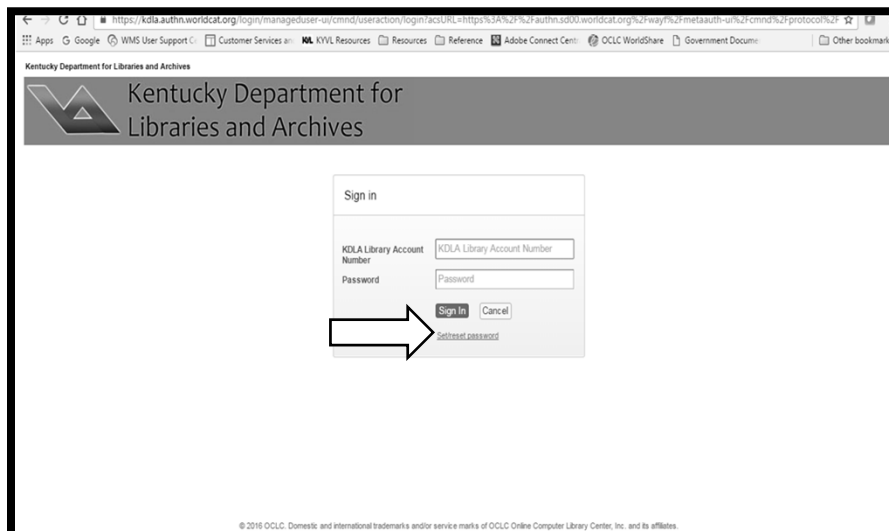
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- KY Newspapers**
- Articles – magazines, professional journals, reference materials**
 - 50+ databases including eRead and WorldCat, multi-disciplinary.
- People/Business Directory**
 - Directory of U.S. businesses and individuals enhanced with financial and organizational information.
- WorldCat Discovery**
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Welcome Kentucky Department of Libraries & Archives September 8, 2018

To search, click on an online resource listed below.

Current Events

Hot Topics

Special Reports

- What's New (September)
- Anniversary of 9/11
- National Hispanic Heritage Month
- Celebrating Constitution Day, September 17
- World Health - Alzheimer's Awareness Month
- World Travel - National Parks 100th Anniversary
- U.S. Presidential Campaign - 2016
- The Olympic Games - Paralympics 2016
- Natural Disasters
- World Environment

America's Newspapers and World News

This comprehensive news collection is ideal for exploring issues and events at the local, regional, national and international level. Its diverse source types include print and online-only newspapers, blogs, newswires, journals, broadcast transcripts and videos. Use it to explore a specific event or to compare a wide variety of viewpoints on topics such as politics, business, health, sports, cultural activities and people. Content is easily searched and sorted through an intuitive, map-based interface.

Search Shortcuts:

- World
- USA
- Kentucky Newspapers
- Major Metro Titles
- Access Notices
- Access Broadcast Transcripts
- Access Business News
- Access International News
- Access Military, Gov, Defense
- Access Newswires
- America's News Magazines

Find a Topic

Access articles by clicking on a category and a topic. Each topic has a pre-defined search that links directly to relevant information. Searches can be modified or additional searches done within the product for further research.

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- Britannica Academic
- Britannica Escolar
- Britannica Learning Zone
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- Britannica School
- Britannica Toolbox

Annals of American History

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A year-by-year documentary of American thought and action is presented in this unique resource through the speeches, documents, memoirs, poems, and interviews of more than 1,500 contributors.

Britannica Academic

Britannica Academic Edition

Combines Encyclopaedia Britannica and Merriam-Websters Collegiate Dictionary and Thesaurus, plus magazines and periodicals, an atlas, biographies, e-books, and other tools.

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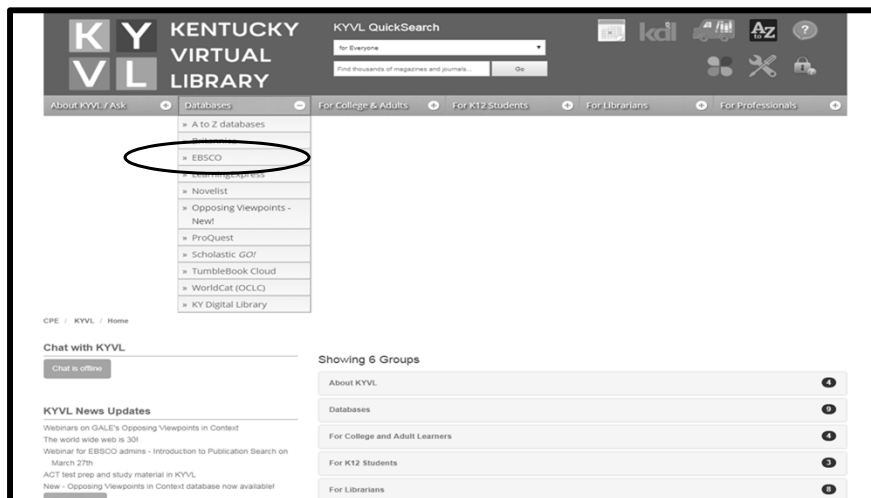
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Age-appropriate, play-based activities for children ages 4-7.

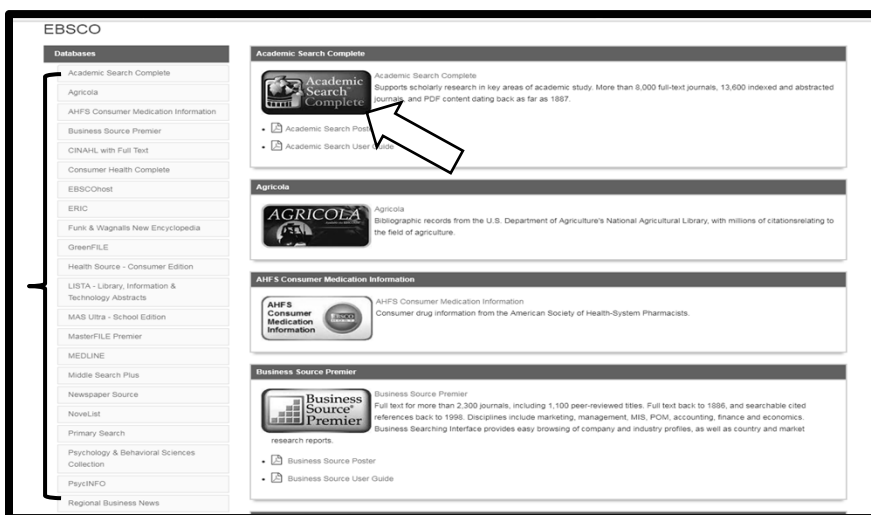
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Apply equivalent subjects

Apply related words

Also search within the full text of the articles

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Webinars on GALE's Opposing Viewpoints in Context

The world wide web is 30!

Webinar for EBSCO admins - Introduction to Publication Search on March 27th

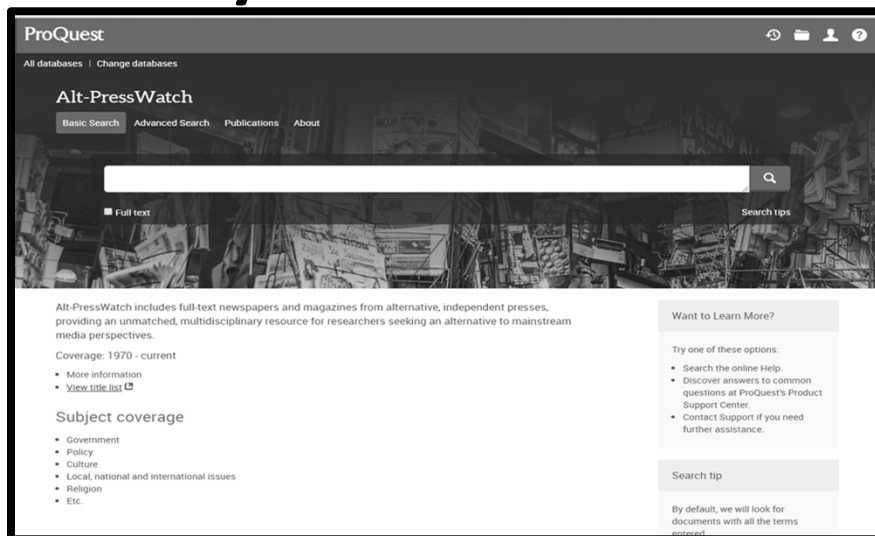
ACT test prep and study material in KYVL

Note - Opposing Viewpoints in Context database now available!

www.kyvl.edu/ebco/79u.pdf

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ProQuest's Alt-Press Watch

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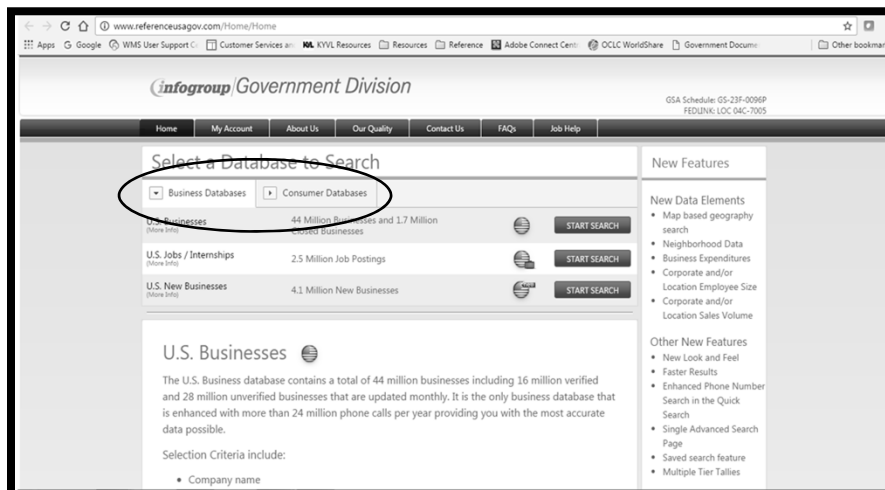
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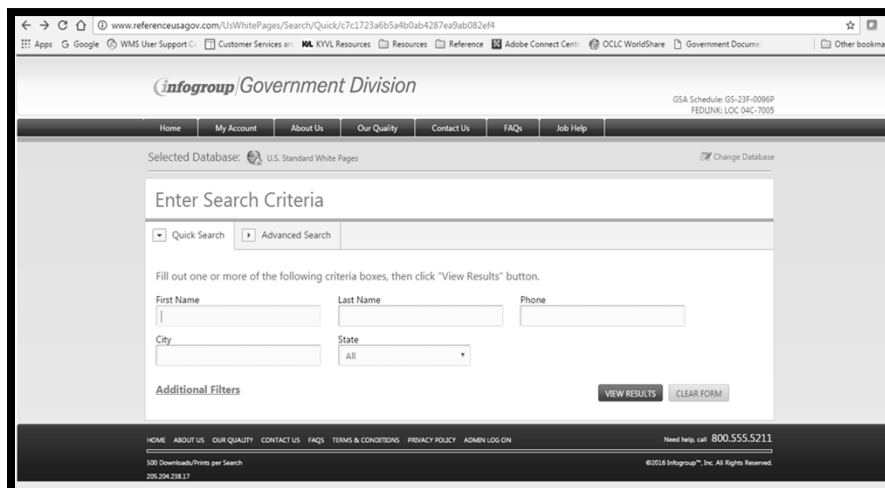
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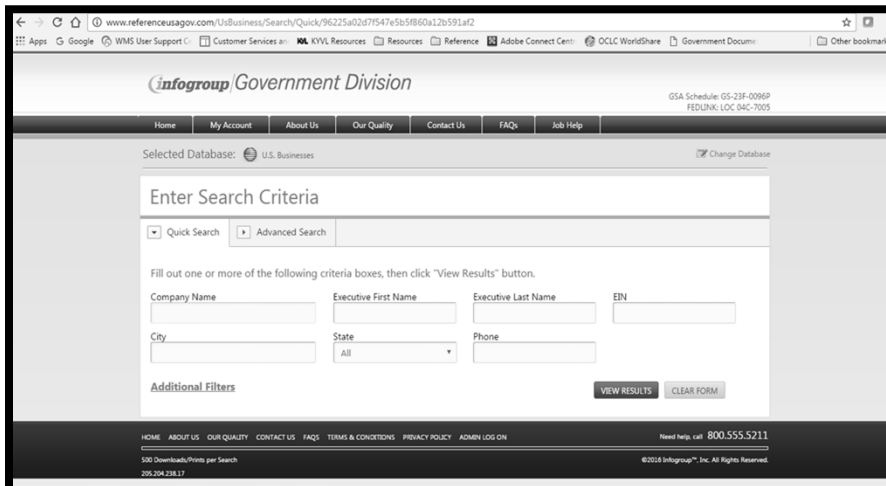
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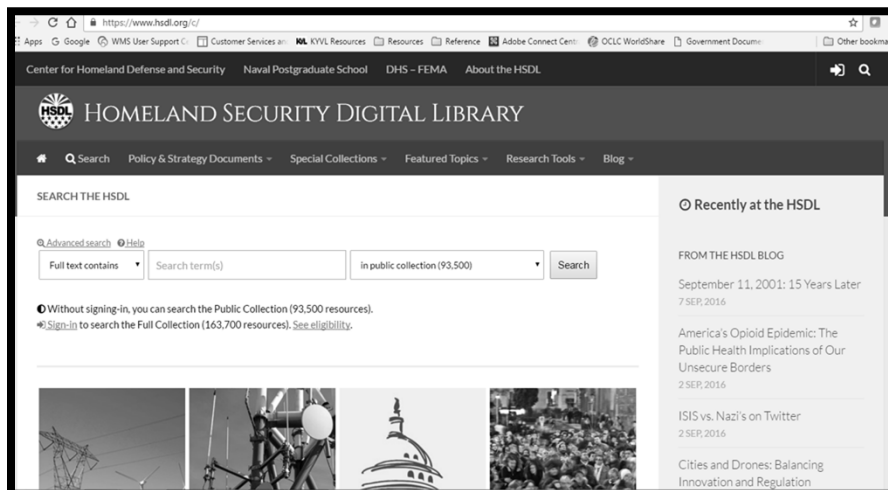
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General Database Search Tips

- Wildcard:** use # to replace a character in a word in order to get all variations of that word. **Ex.: wom#n**
- Truncation:** use * to search the root or plural of a word. **Ex.: manag*, infant***
- Double Quotations:** use “. . .” for phrases. **Ex.: “Kentucky State Hospital”**
- Boolean Operators:** use AND, OR, and NOT operators to combine or exclude keywords in your search. **Ex.: salary OR income, bears NOT grizzly**
- Parentheses:** use () to control and define the way the search will be executed. **Ex.: (dog or cat) and (show or parade)**

Finding Database Subject Headings

- ❑ Look to see if the database has an online thesaurus to browse for subjects that match your topic.

The screenshot shows the PsycINFO Thesaurus interface. At the top, the 'Thesaurus' link is circled. Below the search bar, there are options for 'Term Begins With', 'Term Contains', and 'Relevancy Ranked'. A table lists terms and their related terms. A bracket on the left side of the table highlights the 'Abandonment' section.

Select term, then add to search using: OR Add	Explode	Major Concept
Abandonment		
Year Term Introduced	1997	
Scope Note	Loneliness, anxiety, and emotional and psychological loss of support resulting from desertion or neglect. Used for human populations.	
Related Terms	<input type="checkbox"/> Attachment Behavior <input type="checkbox"/> Child Abuse + <input type="checkbox"/> Child Neglect <input type="checkbox"/> Dependency (Personality) <input type="checkbox"/> Emotional States + <input type="checkbox"/> Loneliness <input type="checkbox"/> Relationship Termination + <input type="checkbox"/> Separation Anxiety + <input type="checkbox"/> Separation Anxiety Disorder	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

Finding Database Subject Headings

- ❑ Start with a keyword search, using words/phrases that describe your topic.
- ❑ Browse the results; choose 2 or 3 that are relevant.
- ❑ Look at the Subject or Descriptor field and note the terms used (write them down).

The screenshot shows a search results page for 'opioid addiction'. The search bar contains 'opioid addiction'. The results show a list of articles, with the first one highlighted: '1. Shelter-Based Opioid Treatment: Increasing Access to Addiction Treatment in a Family Shelter'. The 'Subjects' field for this article is circled, showing terms like 'Substance Use Disorders Drug Therapy', 'Health Services Accessibility Program Evaluation', and 'Substance Use Rehabilitation Programs'.

- ❑ Redo your search using those terms.

Library Research Databases

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for Librarians, Archivists, Researchers, State Employees, and Records Management. A dropdown menu is open under the State Employees tab, listing various resources including 'Archived Training Sessions', 'State Library Resources and Services', 'Employee Management', 'Lifestyle and Wellness', and 'Safety'. Below the navigation, there is a map of Kentucky with the text 'Find your local public library'. To the right, there is a section for 'READ Poster Project' featuring a photo of a man reading a book. At the bottom left, there is a section for 'Upcoming Events & Closures' listing dates for Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, and Thanksgiving Day.

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The screenshot shows a webpage titled 'State Library Resources and Services'. The main content area features three articles: 'Browse! Check Out! Download! @ Kentucky Libraries Unbound' (dated 1/18/2018), 'Crash Course on KYVL Databases: What are they? Why use them?' (dated 8/30/2017), and 'EBSCOhost: The Host with the Most!'. A sidebar on the right contains a navigation menu with links to Home, KDLA Catalog, Kentucky State Digital Archives, Ask a Librarian, Public Library Directory, Job List, Records Retention Schedules, Kentucky Talking Book Library, and Order Records. Below the menu, there is a 'Captioning' section with contact information for KDLA.Certification@ky.gov and a 'Connect with KDLA' section with social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, LinkedIn, and Instagram.

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