Google Search Operators - The basics

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Another good, updating resource at ahref.com

Operator	What it does
“Inverted commas”	Delivers an exact match for your search term
- (NOT)	excludes a term in a search result
site:	limits your results to a particular top-level domain, website or webpage
intitle:	Find pages with a certain word (or words) in the title.
inurl:	Find pages with a certain word (or words) in the URL.
intext:	Find pages containing a certain word (or words) somewhere in the content.
filetype:	searches for a particular file - here’s a list
cache:	see cached versions of a particular website
(parentheses)	use these to group search operators
define:	like Google’s own dictionary - will return quick definitions
AROUND (x):	Finds words within a certain number of words

Useful hacks/search strings - random

site:amazon.com inurl:product-reviews intitle:jacket intext:loved OR warm

site:facebook.com inurl:groups intext:te reo Māori

site:facebook.com inurl:pages intext:water rights

site:reddit.com inurl:Brisbane intext:rentals OR renting

inurl:github intitle:data intext:e-bikes OR bikeshare

site:amazon.com inurl:product-reviews intitle:scented candle intext:smell bad

(filetype:kml OR filetype:kmz) invasive site:edu.au

(site:nit.com.au OR site:ngaardamedia.com.au) intext:Woodside OR Rio Tinto OR Fortescue OR mining OR BHP
site:twitter.com weather OR weather modification OR ✈️ Fake Weather OR #HAARP OR #plasmaweapon OR #biocides OR #StratosphericAerosolInjection OR #climatescam (🤬OR 😡 OR 🤡)

site:com.au inurl:news intext:vaccination rate Riverina before:2021

site:facebook.com inurl:groups intext:te reo Māori

site:facebook.com inurl:pages intext:te reo Māori water take rights

site:reddit.com inurl:dunedin intext:rentals OR renting

site:govt.nz inurl:news intext:firearms registry Southland OR Otago after:2019

inurl:github intitle:data intext:otago

inurl:report site:govt.nz intitle:dairy intext:export

inurl:github intitle:data intext:bendigo

inurl:report site:gov.au intitle:dubbo intext:export

"voice to parliament" OR "The Voice" site:smh.com.au OR site:dailytelegraph.com.au OR site:skynews.com.au OR site:thewest.com.au OR site:theaustralian.com.au OR site:ntnews.com.au OR site:adelaidenow.com.au OR couriermail.com.au/

intext:"voice to parliament" OR "The Voice" OR "Indigenous Voice to Parliament" OR Voice referendum inurl:theguardian OR inurl:crikey

site:abc.net.au/news inurl:china intitle:solomon intext:china security pact

site:health.gov.au inurl:report OR foi OR disclosure intitle:aged care before:2022 filetype:pdf

site:health.gov.au intitle:covid-19 outbreaks in australian residential aged care facilities filetype:pdf

site:http://s3.amazonaws.com confidential | top secret | classified | undisclosed |

site:http://s3.amazonaws.com intext:confidential inurl:nsw.gov.au

site:com.au intitle:Budget 2022 intitle:what we know

Social media searches

site:twitter.com inurl:lists intitle:LISTNAME - 22/4/24 - this no longer retrieves lists - the earlier syntax above returns results for the examples used but I cannot guarantee their accuracy.

site:facebook.com inurl:groups intitle:GROUPNAME

site:facebook.com inurl:pages intitle:PAGENAME

site:instagram.com/ inurl:USERNAME

site:facebook.com inurl:groups intext:stop logging koala

site:facebook.com inurl:pages intext:gippsland

site:reddit.com inurl:bendigo intext:festival

LinkedIn profile finder

site:linkedin.com (inurl:in OR inurl:pub) -intitle:directory -inurl:dir -inurl:jobs intitle:

(eg)
site:linkedin.com (inurl:in OR inurl:pub) -intitle:directory -inurl:dir -inurl:jobs intitle:Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet

Google Advanced Search

Use this as a cheat sheet https://www.google.com.au/advanced_search

Too much fun

....And if this is a little too basic for you, a whole world of fun awaits here - https://www.exploit-db.com/google-hacking-database

It even works in your gmail - [link]