

Beginning Key Word Searching

Search Engine	Type the word "bears" in the search box. What types of results did you get?	Now type in "panda bears" in the search box. What types of results did you get?	Finally, type in "red panda bears" in the search box. What types of results did you get?
Our Library Catalog			
www.yahooligans.com			
www.google.com			

How did your results change as you added additional words to your searching? _____



Intermediate Key Word Searching

Search Engine	Type the word "Turkey" in the search box. What types of results did you get?	What additional words could you add to your search to get information about the country? Try different combinations until you don't get hits regarding turkey the animal. What are your results?	What do you like about this search engine? What do you not like about this search engine?
Our Library Catalog		Additional Words: Results:	Like: Dislike:
www.dogpile.com		Additional Words: Results:	Like: Dislike:
www.google.com		Additional Words: Results:	Like: Dislike:

What strategies did you use to select the most effective key words? _____



Advanced Key Word Searching–Boolean Searches

Go to www.vivisimo.com	Number of Hits	What type of results did you get?	Questions
In the search box, type in "marching bands"			
In the search box, type in "marching bands"			How did adding the quotation marks change your results?
In the search box, type in "bands and marching" and try "bands + marching"			How did adding the AND change your results?
In the search box, type in "bands or marching"			How did adding the OR change your results?
In the search box, type in "bands not marching" and try "bands – marching"			How did adding the NOT change your results?

