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Part 4 of 5: Field Searching and Setting Limits

We don't usually specify fields in a Google search, which leads to some unwanted output. It is possible, though, to specify certain *fields* in your search string.

TITLE

Use the command ***intitle:*** before your search term [*no space after the full colon*] to find pages with certain words in the *title of the page*.

For example, if I want to find out information about the **HINI** virus, I can enter

> **intitle:h1n1**

and all the results of the search will have *HINI* in the *TITLE* of the page.

WEB SITE

Use the ***site:*** command before your search term [*no space after the full colon*] to find material in a *particular web site* that you already know.

For example, if I want to find out anything about "Bernie Madoff" within the New York Times web site, I can enter

> **site:www.nytimes.com madoff**   [*note one space before the search term*]

All the results of this search will be from the *NY Times* and each will include the term *MADOFF.*

WEB SITE, INCOMPLETE URL

Sometimes you want to find material in a particular site but *do not have the complete web address for that site.*

Use the command ***inurl:*** before your search term [*no space after the full colon*] to find pages with *part of the web address.*

For example, if I want to search for the NATIONAL LIBRARIES OF MEDICINE for the topic of DIABETES, and I *don't know the full web site address* but I *do know* that "nlm" will be *part of the web site address*, I can type

> **inurl:nlm diabetes**   [*note one space before the search term*]

This will search for *any* web site with *NLM* in the **URL** and *DIABETES* in the **content**.

Many hits will be from the *National Libraries of Medicine*; others will be from other organizations that coincidentally have "nlm" in their URL, but the search will get you to what you are looking for fairly effectively.

PARTICULAR FILE TYPE

Use the command ***filetype:*** before your search term [*no space after the full colon*] to limit your search to a *particular file type.*

PPT will find you POWERPOINT files.
PDF will find you .PDF files.

For example, if I want to find a **slideshow** on the topic of **castles**, I can type

filetype:ppt castles   [*note one space before the search term*]

This search will find a number of *POWERPOINT files* on the topic of *CASTLES.*

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