

Internet Search Tools:

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+ search

If you want to make sure the word is included on the page you are looking for, type the + sign in front of each term. For example +science +frogs +poison = 37 Google results vs. 1.02million Google results

- search

If you want to make sure the word is NOT included on the page you are looking for, type the -sign in front of each term. Example: if you want a page on ducks, but not hockey, type ducks -hockey

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If you aren't sure of the suffix, use a wildcard *. For example, you want education or educate. Type educa*.

Synonym search

If you want to search not only for your search term but also for its synonyms, place the tilde sign ("~") immediately in front of your search term. ~assessment ~tests You'll get MORE results, however.

OR search

To find sites that include *either* of two terms, add OR between the terms. For example, here's how to search for a vacation in either London or Whistler: vacation London OR Whistler

Domain search

You can search for within a specific website by entering the search terms you're looking for, followed by the word "site" and a colon followed by the domain name.

For example, Clifford site:www.scholastic.com

Phrase search

If you are looking for a phrase or group of words in a specific order, type them in “ “.

For example, “common core resources”.

File Type

If you want a specific type of file, type filetype:PDF or similar term. Example: math terms filetype:pdf

Helpful link: If the image on the Bing homepage is distracting, access Bing through this link:

<http://www.bing.com/?rb=0> It replaces the image with a grey background.

Questions to Ask when Evaluating Internet Resources:

1. Who sponsors or has set up the page?
2. Where did the information come from and when was it last updated?
3. Do they provide evidence to support the points they are making?
4. Who suggested this site as a source? What link brought you to it?

INTERNET SAFETY: At <http://www.chino.k12.ca.us> under the parents tab is the link to our Internet Safety website with many resources. <http://www.chino.k12.ca.us/Page/108>

WORLD BOOK ENCYCLOPEDIA: You can access it by going to the district website:

<http://www.chino.k12.ca.us> then look at the Students tab for the link to World Book. When not at school, a login is required. Username: ejmarshall Password: superstars.

SAFARI MONTAGE: A video streaming service. It is also linked on the district homepage under the Students tab. The login is the same as the login the students use at school for the computer. You can search for educational videos by grade level, subject area, standard, and keyword. Many of the videos are available in English and Spanish. Some include closed captioning. I HIGHLY suggest you turn this feature on. In fact, you can have the audio in Spanish, but the closed captions in English for language practice.
<http://www.readingrockets.org/article/captioning-support-literacy-0> Numerous studies have shown the benefits to children's reading skills.

WEBSITES YOU MIGHT FIND HELPFUL

LANGUAGE ARTS

-Awesome site that lists the K-5th grade spelling and vocabulary words by theme for Houghton Mifflin
<http://www-kes.stjohns.k12.fl.us/wordlists/> For 1st-6th, <http://www.eduplace.com/spellinglists/>

-Book Adventure web-site is similar to AR, can be done from home, and offers prizes for quizzes completed.
<http://www.bookadventure.org/>

-For spelling practice: <http://www.spellingcity.com>

MATH

-For elementary, go to Skill in Arithmetic. From that page, there are a number of lessons to choose from. For older students, choose the appropriate specific math area. It goes up to the calculus level.
<http://www.themathpage.com/index.html>

-Cool Math 4 Kids - VERY visually busy site, but has lots of math topics including times tables, flash cards, and the one I used on demonstrating long division. <http://www.coolmath4kids.com/>

-Web Math - Check out the top tabs for a variety of topics from kindergarten on up.
<http://www.webmath.com/index.html>

-Worksheets you can print: http://www.classbrain.com/artteach/publish/article_51.shtml

GENERAL

-Sheppard Software has games for a variety of subjects. – <http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/>

-This site has games and videos for mostly science, but also social studies. <http://education.jlab.org/>

-FreeRice: Not only does it help with vocabulary, but has settings for art, chemistry, geography, English grammar, English vocabulary, Italian, German, Spanish, French, and multiplication tables. As you get more answers right, the difficulty increases! <http://www.freerice.com>

-When it is time to write science reports, this website <http://sciencewriter.cast.org/welcome> provides a template and guidance. The students answer questions and it builds a report based on their answers.

-California Missions <http://www.missionscalifornia.com/> (4th grade)

-U.S.A. games such can be found at http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/web_games.htm (5th grade)

-Lists songs reviewed for school appropriateness. <http://www.noplaylist.com/>