

Google Advanced Search Shortcuts

Government Website Searching

“global warming” site:.gov

This will search for the exact phrase "global warming" only in U.S. Government websites.

"global warming" OR "climate change" site:.gov

This will search the phrase "global warming" or "climate change" and just in U.S. government webpages. You do have to capitalize the OR to make it work correctly.

allintitle:"global warming" OR "climate change" site:.gov

This will search in Internet only for webpages with the phrases, "global warming" or "climate change" in the titles of the webpages. And, they have to be U.S. government websites.

allintitle:"global warming" OR "climate change" site:.gov filetype:pdf

This will run the same search as above, but it will only bring back webpages stored as PDFs. These will generally be professional articles or government reports.

allintitle:"global warming" OR "climate change" site:.gov filetype:ppt

Same search as above, this one will only search for PowerPoint presentations stored online on your topic, published by the government.

Educational Institution Searches

allintitle:"tell tale heart" site:.edu

Searches for webpages with the phrase, "tell tale heart" in the titles of the pages and the pages have to be published by some sort of educational institution, hence the .edu after the site:

allintitle:"tell tale heart" site:.edu filetype:pdf

Same as the original Tell Tale Heart in educational sites search, but this limits it to webpages stored as PDFs, which will primarily bring back articles with this phrase in the titles.

Non-Profit Webpage Searches

allintitle:privacy site:.org

Searches for webpages published only by non-profit organizations with the word privacy in the titles of the pages.

allintitle:privacy site:.org -wikipedia

The above search will bring back pages from Wikipedia, since it is a non-profit. If you aren't allowed to use Wikipedia pages as sources, type in -wikipedia to remove Wikipedia pages from your search results.

Searching Only in Specific Websites

allintitle:"boulder outdoor cinema" site:dailycamera.com

This query will search only the Boulder Daily Camera website only for articles with phrase “boulder outdoor cinema” in the titles of the articles

allintitle:nitrogen site:epa.gov filetype:pdf

This will search only for websites with nitrogen in the title, on the Environmental Protection Agency’s website. Also it will only search for websites stored as PDFs. So, the websites will be primarily articles or reports published first in print then stored online as PDFs.

Searching .gov, .edu., and .org Pages Simultaneously

allintitle:"climate change" site:.gov OR .edu

Searches both .gov and .edu websites at the same time. Yes, you have to put the OR in all caps.

allintitle:"climate change" site:.gov OR .edu OR .org

Same search but also searches .org webpages.

allintitle:"climate change" site:.gov OR .edu OR .org -wikipedia

Same search but removes Wikipedia pages from your results.

Searching for "AND" Terms or Phrases

allintitle:"tell tale heart" poe site:.edu

This search will search for both "tell tale heart" and Poe, and both have to be in the titles of the .edu webpages that come back. Don't type in AND or and between the two terms or phrases. It searches AND by default when two terms are next to each other.

allintitle:"iron maiden" eddie site:youtube.com

This search will look for "Iron Maiden" and Eddie both in the titles of youtube videos.

The Scary Page From Google

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