

Google Searching for Results!

Google's phonebook:

To find a US residence, enter either...

First name (or first initial), last name, city (state is optional)

First name (or first initial), last name, area code

First name (or first initial), last name, zip code

Phone number (including area code)

Last name, city, state

Last name, zip

Business name, city, state

Business name, zip

Examples

Donna Ervin Rye

Donna Ervin 719

Donna Ervin 81069

719-489-2271

Ervin Rye CO

Ervin 81019

San Isabel Electric Rye CO

San Isabel Electric 81069

Find a phone number for a friend using Google:

Definitions: Google finds dictionary definitions for your search using two methods:

Examples:

define:quintessential – provides hits to definitions of the word

define:quintessential – immediately offers definitions

Find the definition for limerick using Google:

Stemming: Google automatically stems words. To disable this feature, add a + in front of the word it would you don't want to have stemmed.

Examples:

Mountain will automatically retrieve mountains, mountaineering, or other variation

+mountain will limit to only mountain

Don't allow Google to stem Russian River:

Variations: When searching common names, phrases or terms, Google will automatically provide variations in the results. To disallow this, use quotes.

Examples: Jlo will bring results for Jlo, Jennifer Lopez or other variations.

“Jlo” will limit to Jlo only.

Don't allow Google to find variations of P Diddy:

Hyphens: If you are not sure if a word contains a hyphen, go ahead and add it.

Examples: pre-school matches pre-school, pre school and preschool
Pre school matches pre-school and pre school

Eliminating Words: Force Google to eliminate results with unwanted words by using – or NOT:

Examples: The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants –movie
The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants NOT movie

Find information on the Lord of the Rings books by Tolkien but not on the movie:

Synonyms: Look for alternative words with a similar meaning by using the ~.

Examples: ~peak
~happy

Find pages containing synonyms for despair.

Find only pages with specific synonyms by using a vertical bar or the word OR all in caps.

Examples: Rye OR Colorado City
Rye Colorado City

Find pages containing either Pueblo or Mesa Junction:

Range of Numbers: Find results containing numbers in a range by using two period with no spaces between specified numbers.

Examples: \$25..\$100
\$230,000..\$235,000

Find a home for sale in Rye that costs between \$150,000 to \$200,000:

Wildcards: Match a missing letter or word in a phrase using and *.

Examples: “My * treasure”

Qu#t*ssential

“Sep * 2006”

9/*/2006

Find the date of a speech by the President of the United States that occurred on a certain date in January, 2003.

Google Labs: Refer to labs to find the latest research on search engine effectiveness. A really great one linked here is Google sets. Use Google sets to find prototypes based on like items.

Examples: Using Empire State Building and Big Apple you will find: empire state building, big apple, statue of liberty, panama canal, central park, times, square, and others.

Use white house and Clinton to see what happens:

allintitle: This feature allows you to limit results to pages containing specific words in their title.

Example: allintitle: wear sunscreen

Find sites with breast cancer in the title:

intext: This feature limits to sites containing information within the text.

Example: intext:e-mail

Find sites with a blog in the text and study in the title:

location: This is used to limit results to pages within a specific geographic location:

Example: location:CO

Find sites in Colorado with education statistics

filetype: This feature limits to specific types of files.

Example: filetype:pdf (would limit to adobe documents)
filetype:doc (text documents such as Microsoft Word)
filetype:ppt (Powerpoint docs)
filetype:jpeg (picture file)

Find a list of other filetypes and write at least six more here:

site: This feature will limit to a specific type of website such as .edu or .org.

Examples: site:.org

allinurl: Restricts results to those containing all the query terms you specify in the URL.

Example: allinurl:district

author: limits to articles by the author you specify.

Example: author:"J.K. Rowling"

Find articles written by Sean Covey.

bphonebook: limits results to business white page listings.

Example: bphonebook:flowers

safersearch: excludes all adult content

stocks: Google interprets what comes next as stock ticker symbols.

Weather – Google finds weather for the location specified.

Example: weather pueblo CO

Weather 81069

Google limits queries to 32 words.

Google favors results that have your search terms near each other.

Google gives higher priority to pages that have the terms in the same order as in your query.

Google is not case sensitive.

Google ignores special characters and some punctuation such as !?.,;@<>

Google searches for all variants on hyphenated terms.

Google automatically adds and AND between words.

The advanced search menu can be handy!!!