GOOGLE CHEAT SHEET

How many times <u>have you searched Google</u> only to get a bunch of incorrect or unrelated search results that you wish you could filter out? Well, by using these special Google search tips, operators, and commands, you can narrow down your search results and always get the exact results you're looking for.

Operator	Meaning	Example		
Basic Search Symbols				
-	Excludes search results that include this term.	best tablets -drawing		
	Returns search results that match terms on either side of the pipe. The same as writing "OR" between search terms.	computer tablet		
@	Returns search results that match a particular social media site.	phone recall @twitter		
#	Returns search results that include a specific hashtag.	#throwbackthursday		
	Returns search results that include all terms within quotes in the exact given order.	"never gonna give you up"		
*	Returns search results where any words can be matched in place of the asterisk.	best * in america		
	When placed between two numbers, returns search results that match within the number range.	chromebook \$200\$500		
0	Used to group search terms and control the search logic of the query.	(best worst) office suite		

Operator Meaning

Example

Popular Search Operators

cache:	Show Google's cached version of a specific page.	cache:makeuseof.com
filetype:	Returns only search results that match a particular file extension.	sleep study filetype:pdf
related:	Returns other websites that are similar to the queried website.	related:nytimes.com
site:	Returns only search results from a particular website.	productivity tips site:makeuseof.com

Other Search Operators

inanchor:	Returns pages that are linked to using anchor text matching the search query.
allinanchor:	Same as inanchor, but matching every term that appears after allinanchor.
intext:	Returns only search results that match in the page's body.
allintext:	Same as intext, but matching every term that appears after allintext.
intitle:	Returns only search results that match in the page's title.

Operator	Meaning	Example
allintitle:	Same as intitle, but matching every term that appears after allintitle.	
inurl:	Returns only search results that match in the page's URL.	
allinurl:	Same as inurl, but matching every term that appears after allinurl.	

Informational Search Queries

define	Returns a definition of the given term.	define gregarious
time	Returns the current time at a particular location.	time stockholm
to	Convert measurements from one unit to another.	1 cup to tbsp
translate	Translates the queried terms into another specified language.	translate hello world german
weather	Returns the weather forecast for the given location or ZIP code.	weather 90210

The most useful ones are **site:**, **filetype:**, and **to**, but all of these operators and commands are good to know.

Advanced Google Search comes in handy when you're trying to <u>find a book without</u> <u>knowing the title or author</u>!

Word of caution: don't trust all types of Google Search results blindly.