



Answer Key

Advanced Searching: Limiters & Subject Searching (Video)

Check your knowledge about this topic by answering these questions.
Some questions have more than one correct answer.

1. Advanced searching allows the user to refine and limit search results. Which of these statements are true about advanced searching?

10 points

- It is usually available in search engines like Google.
- It is usually available in library databases.
- It is the default way to search.
- It is only to be used by students in advanced classes.

2. Advanced search screens typically allow the use of Boolean operators and phrase searching to narrow your results to exactly what you are looking for. Common options for limiting results include which of the following?

10 points

- Language the article was created in
- Reading level
- Date the article was created
- Type of publication

3. Which of these statements are true about domains?

10 points

- You can limit an internet search by .org to determine what organizations are doing in regard to your topic.
- Universities and colleges usually have .edu as their domain.
- .com at the end of a URL means that the website is from a committee.
- Domains can help you quickly determine what type of entity published a website.

4. Using different options to limit search results by date can find articles that are what?

10 points

- ✓ Recent
- ✓ Published within the last year
- ✓ Older than a certain date
- ✓ Written when an event happened

5. Library databases typically allow you to limit search results by document type. What are some document types?

10 points

- ✓ Cartoon
- ✓ Topic overview
- ✓ Viewpoint essay
- Full-text articles

6. Usually Internet search engines and library databases default to keyword searching. Library databases search what parts of the articles or documents when using keyword searching?

10 points

- Subject headings
- ✓ Title of the article
- ✓ First several paragraphs of the article
- Article citation information

7. Which statements are true about subject searching?

10 points

- Keyword searching and subject searching are the same thing.
- ✓ Subject searching usually finds results that are more relevant.
- ✓ Subject searching is an option in most library databases.
- Most search screens default to subject searching.

8. Subject headings are assigned to database articles by an indexer or cataloger to show what?

10 points

- How long the article is
- What the article is about
- How important the author is
- Where the article was originally published

9. Once you have done a keyword search in a library database, where can you find subject headings to use for a new search?

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- Look for a sidebar that lists suggested subject headings.
- You must guess what the correct subject heading is.
- Select a relevant article and see what subject headings have been given to it.
- Only an indexer or librarian can tell you what the subject heading is.

10. These are the only limiters you can use in an advanced search to refine your results: domain type, date, document type, and subject headings. True or false?

10 points

- True
- False