Google Cheats For Advanced Users

General (google.com)
These search tips can be used across all Google features like Google Images, Books, Videos etc.

- **Search for a phrase** " "
  By putting search terms in inverted commas, you can search for an exact phrase.
  Example: "the sun lights up the moon"

- **Exclude a word** -
  To exclude a particular word from your search results, put the minus sign before that word.
  Example: sun -moon
  Note that there is no space after the minus sign

- **Date range** ..
  The double dot put directly between two numbers indicates a range to narrow the results down. This is a particularly useful tip for searching within a date range.
  Example: "solar eclipse 1990..2005"
  Note that there are no spaces between the numbers or the dots.

- **Site search site:**
  Search for keywords in a specific site only. This is very useful if that page doesn't provide an in-site search.
  Example: moon site:sydneyobservatory.com.au

- **Meaning of words define:**
  Use to find meaning of words in a dictionary
  Example: define: rumbustious

- **Calculator:**
  Use +, -, *, / and paranthesis for basic functions

- **Unit converter:**
  Just type units you have and want!
  Example: 50 euros in Australian dollars

Google Images (http://www.google.com/imghp?hl=en&tab=wi)
These search tips can be used for Google Images only

- **Image Size**
  You can filter your image results by image size. Select an image size from the Size heading on the left hand side of the search results page.
  Bigger images are usually of higher quality and print out will at big sizes in assignments. Smaller images are better for using online.

- **Usage Rights**
  Use the Usage Rights filter to find images that are free to use and are without copyright restrictions. Look for the Usage Rights heading in the Advanced Image Search and check the ‘Only images labelled for reuse’ box.

These search tips can be used for Google Books only

- **View**
  Not all content on Google books is available to view in full. You can use view options to filter your search results. Select a view option from the View heading on the left hand side of the search results page.
  The Full View and Preview and Full View options allow you the best access to content

Domain Owner Search
You can use domain search engines to find out who owns a website. This can be a useful tool if you have trouble finding this information on a website itself.

- **Easy Whols** (www.easywhois.com)
  Enter the website you want to check in to the Easy Whols search box. Be sure to leave off the www. or http. Press Next and you will be given information about the company or person who registered the website
  Example: stvincents.nsw.edu.au

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