
Here are some nifty modifiers to type in your Google search box to refine your searches and get the best results:

- ** Exact Phrase 
  - What it does: searches for an exact phrase
  - What to type: "one small step for man"
  - What you'll get: results that include the exact phrase "one small step for man"

- ** Excluded Words 
  - What it does: excludes search results with a particular word or phrase
  - What to type: bass fishing
  - What you'll get: results about bass that are not related to fishing

- ** Similar Words 
  - What it does: searches for a word and all its synonyms
  - What to type: mobile phone
  - What you'll get: results with the word "phone," as well as "cell," "cellular," "wireless," etc.

- ** Multiple Words 
  - What it does: searches for webpages that include either word
  - What to type: vacation London OR Paris
  - What you'll get: results with the word "vacation" and either "London" or "Paris"

- ** Numerical Ranges 
  - What it does: searches for a range of numbers
  - What to type: Willie Mays 1950...1960
  - What you'll get: results about Willie Mays during this time period

- ** Find Meanings 
  - What it does: defines a word or phrase
  - What to type: define plethora
  - What you'll get: links to definitions of the word "plethora"

- ** Site Specific 
  - What it does: searches only particular websites
  - What to type: global warming site.edu
  - What you'll get: references to global warming found on .edu websites

- ** Linked Pages 
  - What it does: searches for webpages that link to a particular website
  - What to type: link:www.umich.edu
  - What you'll get: websites that link to the University of Michigan website

- ** Math Answers 
  - What it does: basic calculator functions
  - What to type: 4+7, 30% of 55, 20x2, sqrt(4), etc.
  - What you'll get: the answer

- ** Conversions 
  - What it does: converts units of measure
  - What to type: cm in foot, 28C in F, $ in pound, days in fortnight, miles in league, mph in speed of light, etc.
  - What you'll get: the converted answer