



Synonym Search

~*auto* will find synonyms for *auto* as well as the actual word *auto* (cars, trucks, automobile etc.)

Filetype

filetype:*pdf* will give you only pdf files in your results. You can filter by a variety of filetypes including doc, xls, kmz.

Restrict Search

site:*edu* will perform a regular google search but only on .edu sites. You can also do that with .gov or .us sites to help refine your search.

Exclude Terms

Use the - (minus symbol) to subtract pages with a certain word. If I'm searching for virus but don't want pages about computer viruses showing in my results I'd type in *virus -computer*.

Recent Sites

Iraq **date:**3 will give you sites on *Iraq* updated with the past 3 months

Site Info

info:*www.richmond.edu* will give you information about the richmond.edu site. This would be useful in deciding on site quality and reliability.

Exact Searches

Using quotes will find exact matches of the entire phrase. For instance, "*one man band*" in quotes will return only 1,000,000 sites while *one man band* will return 46,000,000 sites.

Calculator

Use google as a calculator. Google can do many math operations right in the search box. Try- *23+9* or *23-38* or *445*39* or *415/39* or *49% of 559*

Roman Numerals

If you want to search for *King George III* you'll need to type *King George +III* or the *III* will be ignored by google. That + makes about 70 million pages worth of difference!