

Google Search Operators Chart

Search Operator	Purpose of the Search Operator	Topic of Search	Example Search
" "	Find pages that have the exact words designated in quotes	The <i>New Horizons</i> spacecraft that flew by Pluto in July 2015	"New Horizons spacecraft"
- (must be preceded by a space)	Exclude a term from a search	Pluto (the dwarf planet), not Pluto (the Disney cartoon dog)	Pluto -dog
OR	Find pages that include either of two terms	Pluto and/or <i>New Horizons</i> spacecraft	Pluto OR "New Horizons spacecraft"
*	Wildcard	Edwin Hubble (including entries for Edwin Powell Hubble and Edwin P. Hubble)	"Edwin * Hubble"
...	Search for a range of numbers	Discoveries related to Pluto from 1930 to 1980	"Pluto discoveries" 1930...1980
filetype:	Find certain types of files that end in a specific suffix (pdf, ppt, mp3, mp4, doc, jpg, xls, swf, etc.)	Flash files about the <i>New Horizons</i> Pluto flyby	Pluto flyby filetype: swf
allintext: or allintitle:	Search for multiple words in the text or title of web pages	The geology of Pluto's mountains	allintext: Pluto geology mountains
location:	Search for web pages from specific locations	Astronomy observatories in the United States	astronomy observatories location: United States
site:	Restrict search to the site or domain you specify	Information on Pluto from U.S. government websites	Pluto site:gov
source:	Restrict search to articles from specific news sources	Find news articles about Pluto from reliable news sources	Pluto source:New York Times Pluto source:BBC

Adapted from Google Guide, by Nancy Blachman (www.googleguide.com), and "Google Search Tips: Google Operators," by MIT Libraries (<http://libguides.mit.edu/c.php?g=176061&p=1159512>).

Figure 7.3 Google Search Operators Chart