

Research Paper

USE SEARCH ENGINES

Try an Internet search using keywords that are related to your topic. Use these tips to find relevant sites.

- Start with a general keyword and then refine the keyword based on other words and phrases you find in your initial search.
- Combine two or three keywords: *Soviet purges* instead of *purges*.
- Enclose an exact phrase or title in quotation marks: "*Animal Farm*."

Directions: On the first line, write a general keyword that is related to your topic. Then enter it into a search engine. Record how many "hits" (search results) the search engine finds. Then scroll the list of entries, looking for words and phrases related to your topic. Write the addresses of the two Web pages that you believe are most relevant. Use the words and phrases you find to help you refine your keywords. Repeat the process with more specific keywords.

1. General keyword: _____
2. Number of hits: _____
3. Web address: _____
4. Web address: _____
5. More specific keyword: _____
6. Number of hits: _____
7. Web address: _____
8. Web address: _____
9. Even more specific keyword: _____
10. Number of hits: _____
11. Web address: _____
12. Web address: _____