

Although each search engine has a slightly different appearance, each has a text box in which you can enter a search word or phrase and a button for you to click to begin the search.

For more complex searches, each search site has its own conventions for specifying search phrases. Table 2-2 shows some of the conventions used by Infoseek, a typical search service.

Syntax	Example	Finds
Capital letters	Richard Smith	Proper name; only initial capped instances of word
Quotes	"World Wide Web"	Words that appear together
Hyphen	Pentium-computer	Words that appear very close to each other in order
Brackets	[travel China]	Words that appear near each other, in any order
Comma	France, DeGaulle	Separate, unrelated proper names
Plus sign	Web +browser	Documents that include this word or phrase
Minus sign	Web -Navigator	Documents without this word or phrase

Table 2-2: Infoseek Syntax Conventions

METHOD

To search using keywords:

1. On the Navigation toolbar, click the Search button.
2. On the search page, if necessary, click the button for the search engine you want to use.
or
2. Accept the default search engine.
3. In the search text box, type the keywords or phrase for your search.
4. Click the Search button. (The name might vary, depending on the search engine.)
5. Use the links to jump to the desired items.