

Effective Internet Searching



It is often commented that there is so much information on the Internet and that the information searched for is not found. The following information is designed to assist in helping to find the information from the web.

The first point to realize is that there are generally two types of search engines; the menu driven (*directory*) engines in which the owners of the engine build and maintain menu choices for what they think are popular web sites. Examples of such engines are:

www.yahoo.com
www.excite.com
www.lycos.com

The second type of engine is referred to as a *spider engine* and is built around you typing in a search word or phrase from which the internet is searched. Examples are:

www.google.ca
www.metacrawler.com
www.live.com

In the spider engines there are several tips that increase the likelihood that the hits are relevant to your interest:

- Use synonyms for the search terms
- Utilize syntax rules where supported (for example “quotes”) (Capital letters, quotes, asterisk as a wildcard, Boolean logic rules)
- Customize your search engine settings

Additional Tips

1. Learn and know how one engine works
 2. Use search engines to learn more about searching and other search engines
 3. Review the hit DNS information and hypothesize if the site is of the type you want
- For example;

[FAQs about Rabbits and Rabbit Care](#)

WebCrawler: We've compiled documents containing the most Frequently Ask rabbit topic. These FAQs are just a starting point; for more thorough coverage you read The House Rabbit Handbook.

DirectHit: We've compiled documents containing the most Frequently Asked t rabbit topic. These FAQs are just a starting point; for more thorough

Google: ...Vet Giving Medications Disabled **Rabbits** Behavior Toys Chewing # 862, <http://www.rabbit.org/faq/> ([WebCrawler](#), [Direct Hit](#), [Google](#))

[Rabbits as Pets](#)

Lycos: A short article by Ed Zapletal.

DirectHit: **Rabbits** are are quickly growing in popularity as pets, especially as above all, highly affectionate. Selection If you are thinking

727, <http://www.moorthead.com/pets/bunbasic.htm> ([Lycos](#), [Direct Hit](#))

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