

# Bookmarks for Getting the Most from the Post-Google Web

## Web Search Engines

### The "Big Four" Today

[Google](http://www.google.com) - www.google.com

[Yahoo! Search](http://search.yahoo.com) - search.yahoo.com

[Ask.com](http://ask.com) - ask.com or [Teoma](http://teoma.com) - teoma.com (same database from both)

[MSN Search](http://search.msn.com) - search.msn.com

### Worth Using and Keeping an Eye On

[Gigablast](http://gigablast.com) - gigablast.com

[Exalead](http://beta.exalead.com/search) - beta.exalead.com/search

## Bookmarklets for Comparison Searching

Drag them into your Bookmarks or Favorites (or right click and Add them to your Bookmarks or Favorites). Work in Internet Explorer and Mozilla/Firefox.

[@AskJeeves](#)

[@Exalead](#)

[@Google](#)

[@MSN search](#)

[@Yahoo! search](#)

[@Gigablast](#) (do not use in IE - cannot switch out)

Article describing [additional Bookmarklets for other purposes](#). Web page with [many more bookmarklets](#) usable for many purposes.

## Sample Blogs of Interest to Library Work

[Infoblog](http://infoblog.infopeople.org) (Infopeople's blog) - infoblog.infopeople.org

[Neat New Stuff](http://marylaine.com/neatnew.html) - marylaine.com/neatnew.html

[Librarian in Black](http://librarianinblack.typepad.com/librarianinblack) - librarianinblack.typepad.com/librarianinblack

## Blogs and RSS

### RSS Readers

[Bloglines](http://www.bloglines.com) - www.bloglines.com - recommended RSS reader

[Google Reader](http://reader.google.com) - reader.google.com - experimental reader to keep an eye on

**Finding RSS Feeds and/or Blogs** - Specialized searches

[Browse Bloglines for feeds](http://www.bloglines.com/myblogs) - http://www.bloglines.com/myblogs

[Search Bloglines for feeds](http://bloglines.com/search) - bloglines.com/search - although it says you are searching blogs, they really are RSS feeds

**[Google Blogsearch](#)** (beta) - [blogsearch.google.com](#) - searches feed postings, use postings to find blog home pages

**[Feedster](#)** - [feedster.com](#) - search for feed postings with links to blog home page

**[Browse Technorati Blog Finder](#)** (beta) - [technorati.com/blogs](#) - browse or search for blogs by subject categories

**[BlogSearchEngine](#)** - [blogsearchengine.com](#) - searchable blog text database

**[PubSub blog clipping service](#)** - [pubsub.com](#) - Enter keywords to create blog/RSS monitoring. Requires free account. Set up an RSS feed to receive what PubSub finds. Very current

**[BlogPulse Trend search](#)** - <http://blogpulse.com/trend> - enter up to three keywords and see profile comparing blog activity. Also a searchable blog database

## Tag Links

### Finding and Using Tags

**[del.icio.us](#)** - keeps a list of your bookmarks; lets you see who else bookmarked it. By viewing tags by people who tagged what you tagged, might find useful related sites.

**[tagcloud.com](#)** - create a tag cloud based on all or a group of RSS feeds you have in Bloglines; allows you to search and read your feeds by word or theme; also provides related websites for each feed posting using Yahoo's Y!Q.

**[furl.net](#)** - keeps a copy of pages you bookmark; research organizer by tags you assign.

### About Tags

**[Wikipedia on "Social Bookmarking"](#)**

## Wikis

**[Description and background from Wikipedia](#)** - [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikis](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikis)

**[List of Wikis \(examples\)](#)** - [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_wikis](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_wikis)

## Not-Web-Search Services and Databases - "Best of" in bold with asterisk (\*)

**Lists of Services from [Tipmonkies](#)** - long lists of all kinds of things, with links

**[The Ultimate Guide to Google Services](#)**

**[The Ultimate Guide to Yahoo! Services](#)**

### Subject Directories

\***[Yahoo Directory](#)** - [directory.yahoo.com](#)

Directories that use Open Directory ([dmoz.org](#))

\*[Gigablast](#) - Directory categories integrated into search results

\*[Exalead](#) - Directory categories integrated into search results

[Google Directory](#) - directory.google.com - Google ranking on dmoz.org in stand-alone database

### **Maps, Directions, Local Searches**

\*[Google Local](#) - local.google.com - Maps and yellow pages/business search rolled into one.

[Yahoo Maps](#) - maps.yahoo.com

[Yahoo Local](#) - local.yahoo.com - smaller than Google Local and therefore sometimes easier to find things in; far less comprehensive.

### **Education, Reference**

\*[Yahoo Education](#) - education.yahoo.com - Links to education resources from K through grad school, and to many reference resources.

[MSN Encarta](#) - encarta.msn.com - Some comparable reference tools and partial access to Encarta encyclopedia (fee for more).

### **Governments, Finance**

\*[Gigablast Gov Search](#) - gov.gigablast.com - 34+ million pages, all gov't domains plus sites with gov't links; helpful Giga Bits clusters and Reference page link sites.

[Google Uncle Sam](#) - www.google.com/unclesam - Major gov't domains from Google web database, with Google ranking.

\*[Yahoo Finance](#) - finance.yahoo.com - Current, historical info on all types of investing, companies, domestic & foreign; helpful glossary, definitions.

[MSN Money](#) - moneycentral.msn.com - Aspires to be as good as Yahoo Finance.

### **News**

*No real "winners" here - all pretty good, customizable topics on homepages:*

[Google News](#) - news.google.com - 4500+ sources

[Yahoo News](#) - news.yahoo.com - 7000+ sources, includes blog/RSS search

[MSN Newsbot \(beta\)](#) - newsbot.msnnbc.msn.com - 4800+ sources

### **Multi-Media on the Web**

\*[Google Video Search](#) - video.google.com - archived videos (TV, contributed, in websites; search closes captioning; viewable with Flash.

[Yahoo Video Search](#) - video.search.yahoo.com - millions of videos from web pages, links to web pages containing videos; requires various players to view.

\*[Yahoo Podcast Search](#) - podcasts.yahoo.com - search, download or listen in browser.

[Exalead](#) - in regular web search, AUDIO, VIDEO buttons extract sites containing media.

**Images** - *both very good and similar*

[Google Images](http://images.google.com) - images.google.com - 1.3+ billion

[Yahoo Images](http://images.yahoo.com) - images.yahoo.com - 1.5 billion

### **Shopping and Traveling**

[Froogle](http://froogle.google.com) - froogle.google.com - large, searchable, no browse or categories.

\*[Yahoo Shopping](http://shopping.yahoo.com) - shopping.yahoo.com - somewhat smaller than Google, search or browse by categories which help subdivide options; shopper reviews, personal shopping aggregator.

\*[Gigablast Travel](http://travel.gigablast.com) - travel.gigablast.com - 5.4+ million travel-related sites; more than selling tours.

[Yahoo Trip Planner](http://travel.yahoo.com/trip) - travel.yahoo.com/trip - trips planned and shared by some of Yahoo's millions of members.

### **Finding People, Groups**

[Yahoo People Finder](http://people.yahoo.com) - people.yahoo.com - phone & email searches; Yahoo's member directory plus some white pages; useful email advanced search. Like all other free people finders, lots of errors and false hits/misses.

\*[Yahoo Groups](http://groups.yahoo.com) - groups.yahoo.com - many communities, support groups, searchable and browse with categories on a topic.

[Google Groups](http://groups.google.com) - groups.google.com - current groups not very large; historical Usenet News database back to 1980's sometimes useful but being eclipsed by blogs.

### **Publications on the Web**

\*[Google Scholar](http://scholar.google.com) - scholar.google.com - search for citations of scholarly articles from web pages and some publishers; useful [Adv. Scholar Search](#); links to some full text; integrated with some university library holdings and proxy servers.

[Google Print](http://print.google.com) - print.google.com - promising effort to make many books available online full text by digitizing library holdings; lawsuits pending.

[Yahoo Subscriptions](http://search.yahoo.com/web/advanced) - search.yahoo.com/web/advanced - in Yahoo Adv. Search, options to search fee-based services like Lexis-Nexis, Consumer Reports, and more.

## **Resources for Keeping Up with Search Engines and Searching**

*Among the many possibilities, I find these the most indispensable and readable.*

[ResearchBuzz](http://www.researchbuzz.com) - www.researchbuzz.com - Tara Calishain seems to find, report, and evaluate almost everything worth knowing about search engines and searching. Site can be searched about any topic. Available as RSS feeds and email newsletter. [Subscribe to RSS feed in Bloglines.](#)

[SearchDay](http://searchenginewatch.com/searchday) - searchenginewatch.com/searchday - Chris Sherman's daily email newsletter about search engine and searching changes and

innovations. Available as part of the RSS feed from  
[SearchEngineWatch.com](#). [Subscribe to RSS feed in Bloglines](#).

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