

Exercise #5

Finding Blogs and Wikis

In this exercise you will explore useful tools and methods to find blogs and wikis.

Part I: Finding Blogs

Instructions:

In each of the three blog finding tools below, find blogs and/or blog postings on this topic:

The effect of global warming on sea level rise, specifically the effect on sea level rise of the Greenland and/or Arctic ice caps melting.

1. **Google Web Search** - www.google.com

Suggested search: **blog sea level rise greenland**

Comments:

2. **Google Blog Search** – blogsearch.google.com

Suggested searches: **sea level rise greenland**

inblogtitle:climate OR inblogtitle:"global warming" greenland

Comments:

3. **Technorati Blog Search** – search.technorati.com

Suggested search: : **sea level rise greenland**

Select in blogs with a **LOT of Authority**

Comments:

Technorati "Authority" is based on: links in from other blogs, frequency of new postings, and blog age, in some combination. High authority is a small, established, blogger elite.



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Part II: Finding Wikis

Instructions:

Use Google Web search to find wikis answering the following questions.

HINTS: Include **inurl:wiki** in your search. Use **-wikipedia** to exclude it.

1. *I am looking for information on puppetry for children – different kinds of puppets children can build or that can be used to interact with children.*

Search that worked best:

2. *How can I keep up with wikis being developed by libraries and librarians?*

Search that worked best:

PART II: SEARCHES THAT WORKED PRETTY WELL:
1. puppetry OR puppets children inurl:wiki -wikipedia
2. library OR libraries inurl:wiki -wikipedia