

Exercise #2

Google Toolbar Installation & Setting Preferences

In this exercise you will install the Google Toolbar and modify Google Preferences for optimal searching.

1. **Install the Toolbar.** Using Internet Explorer, go to *toolbar.google.com*.
2. **Toolbars beyond IE & Windows.** At <http://googlebar.mozdev.org> you may get Google toolbars for Firefox and Mozilla. Firefox works with Macs. You may have to click on the Google Toolbar logo to get to the Google toolbar download page.
3. **Click on the button to download the toolbar:**



B. Explore Some Toolbar Features.

1. In the search box within the toolbar, type *infopeople training*.



2. Click on the **highlight tool** (yellow marker icon).
3. Locate the **PageRank bar**, and watch it change when you click on any result in the list. Click other pages in the results and note their "importance" ranking.
4. Take a few moments to click on **each of the other down arrows** in the toolbar, discover what it allows you to accomplish.

Note that the toolbar you downloaded may not look exactly like the one above. This is because Google updates the toolbar and changes it automatically. The toolbar will also change when it is customized.

5. Click on the **Options** icon or go to Options listed under the Google button on the left.

C. Modifying Google Search Preferences. Go to *google.com/preferences*.

1. Try changing the **Interface Language** to some language other than English. If you do not know the language you have changed it to, you can make Google return to English by modifying the URL of a search result to *hl-en*.
2. **Why do you think Google recommends "any language"** as the Search Language?
3. Increase the number of results per page to 20 or 30.
4. Click on SAVE PREFERENCES.

NOTE: When you SAVE PREFERENCES, you are saving them only for the computer and browser you are using.