JUST GOOGLE IT

INTERNET SEARCHES

HOW MANY U.S. STATES HAVE LESS THAN ONE MILLION PEOPLE?

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IS NOT A STATE

HOW TALL IS THE STATUE OF LIBERTY?

305'

WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THE OLDEST WOMAN IN RECORDED MEDICAL HISTORY AND HOW OLD WAS SHE?

Jeanne Calment

122 years 164 days

HOW MANY ROOMS ARE IN THE WHITE HOUSE?

132

IN INCHES, WHAT IS THE STANDARD DISTANCE BETWEEN U.S. RAILROAD TRACKS?

56.5"

SIMPLIFY YOUR SEARCHES

- **WC STORY**

LESS IS MORE

- **As of 9/11/13, According to worldwidewebsize.com, there were a total of 3.84 Billion Web Pages on the Internet—but it really is almost impossible to quantify how many active pages there really are**

- **If you "Google" Google, you will receive 6,540,000,000 results mentioning, or containing the word "Google"**

- **You can find anything on the Internet**

ADVANCED SEARCH OPTIONS

- **site:** **Search only within a specific site**

  site: www.gonzaga.edu Kevin Pangos

- **filetype:** **find a type of file (.pdf .ppt .doc)**

  filetype:ppt american revolution

- **define:** **find definitions of a word**

  define:dog

MORE ADVANCED SEARCH OPTIONS

+/-*   **Add, multiply, divide and subtract**

% of   **Find a percent of a number**

Cos() sin()   **Trigonometry functions**

Km to miles   **converts units**

Related: **find pages that have similar content**
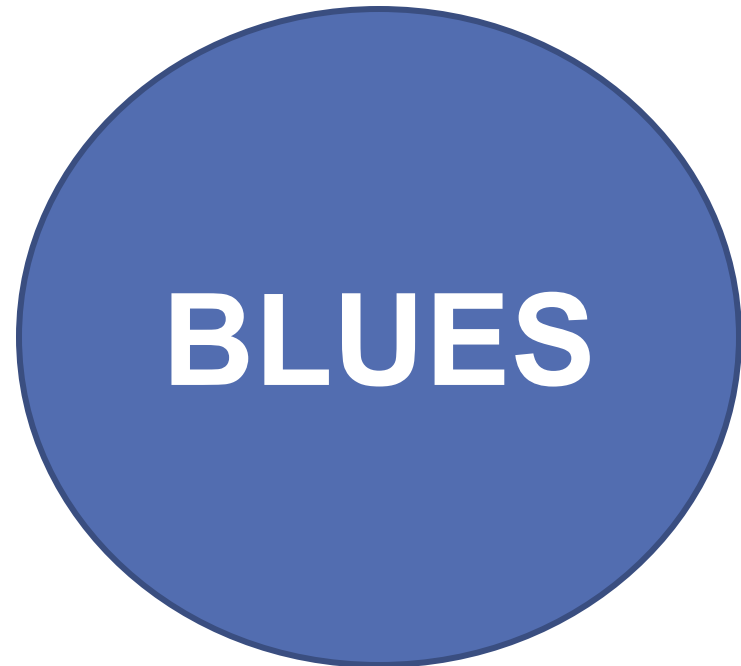   **related:website**
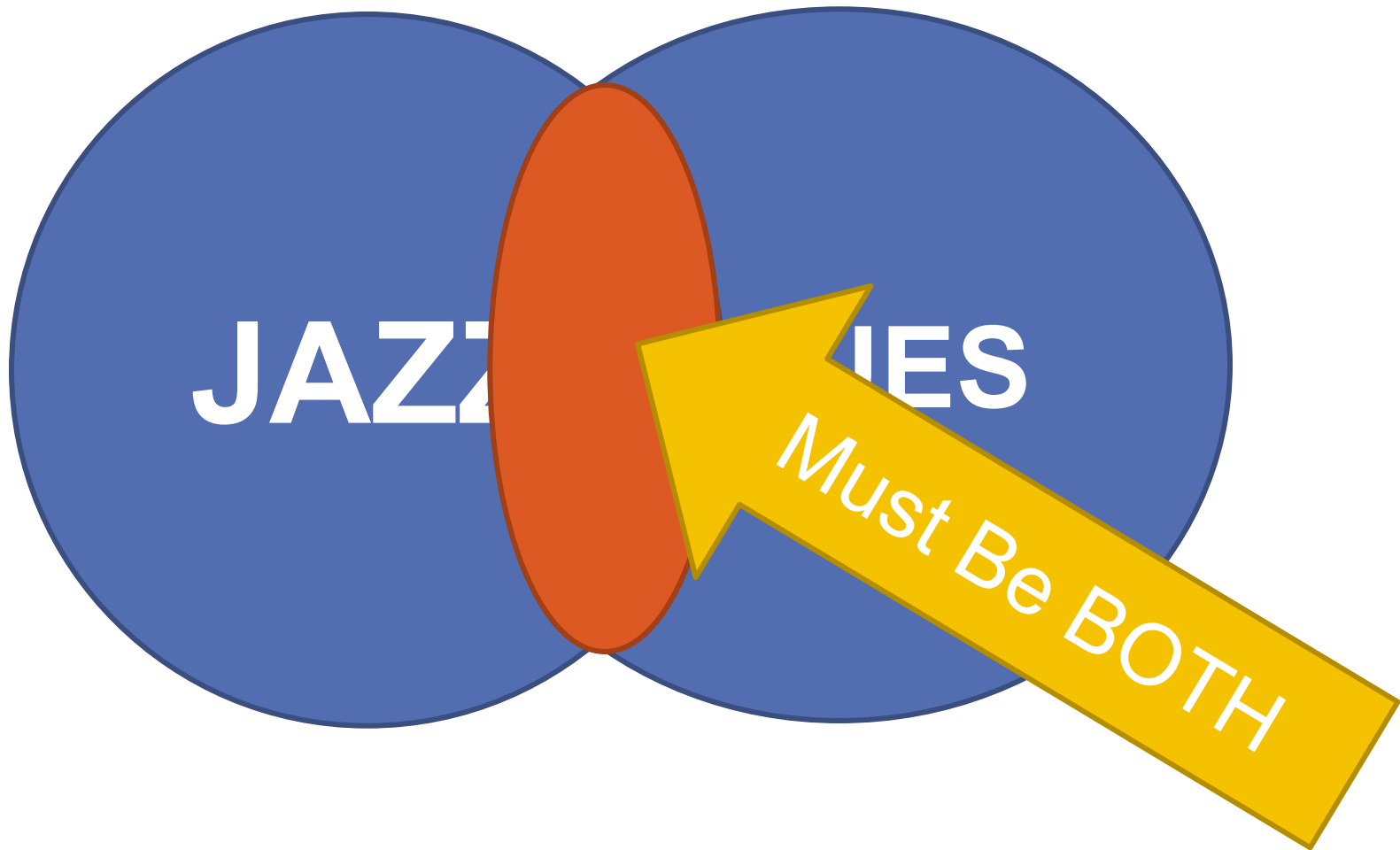
BOOLEAN OPERATORS

OR

AND

NOT

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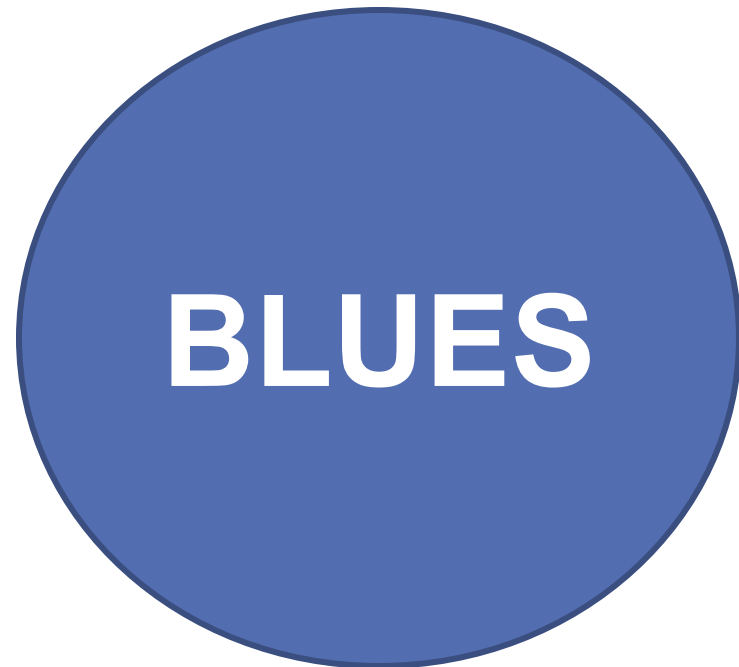
This search locates articles that discuss BOTH Jazz and Blues. Every record MUST contain both

NOT

EXCLUDES records that contain the term "BLUES." *****If an article compares Jazz with Blues you might lose it with your search—be aware of the consequences.

JAZZ

BLUES

MORE ABOUT NOT

When to use NOT and when not to use NOT!

NOT is appropriate when a word is used in different contexts. For example, the search **vikings not minnesota** retrieves records about Vikings but not the Minnesota Vikings. If you are studying Medieval Viking sagas, this is good. If you are researching pro football, it's not.

( ) ORDER OF OPERATIONS

Parentheses indicate **relationships** between search terms. They force the computer to process your search terms in the order you intend and to combine them in the way you want

Ex: Lacrosse or soccer and history

- Retrieves about 80 items, combines soccer and history.
- Retrieves all books about lacrosse

Ex. (lacrosse or soccer) and history

- Retrieves about 60 items
- Combines lacrosse or soccer AND those results with history

* TRUNCATION

If you want to search for part of a word or a whole word that may have several endings, use a "wildcard," commonly an asterisk (*), though some search engines use other symbols. It will improve search results and save you time.

Example: To find Universities or University Use Universit*

Example: To find legislate, legislature, legislates, legislation, legislating USE legislat*

" " SET OF WORDS

Put Quotes around a set of words to find an exact quote or term

Example: "I have a dream"

+/- A WORD

+ Word: **Finds exact words, no synonyms**

        +peace +freedom

-Word: **search for Homer not Simpsons**

        homer – simpsons

Word*Word   **find other combinations between words**

        creative*writing

.. :   **Gets ranges of dates or events**

        presidents 1800..1950