

Title of Session: Frazel Features - Google Advanced Search

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MidgeF: Oh, hello, I didn't see you come in!

BJB2 . o O (Diana is eager to get started ;-))

MidgeF: She must have been searching for us! A Google joke!

BJB2 winks

MidgeF: This is the description of this session (more or less)

MidgeF: Google's Advanced Search page offers teachers and students many more ways for focused searching. Focused searching saves valuable classroom (and homework) time and teaches students to be better consumers of Web based resources. Over time, the Web will become a more clearly defined classroom tool and both teachers and students need to be able to locate and evaluate materials found for research and student learning.

MatthewE: great

MidgeF: OK?

BJB2 nods

DianaHar: ok

MatthewE nods

MidgeF: Good, I am fast and I don't want you to get lost in this huge crowd

MidgeF: Let's start by going to my blog where you can access the links for this session (and find them later). Before you go, don't bother to click on the first link as that's what you will do when we return. Just look at the others and when you return here let me know that you are back by typing Back.

MidgeF: Read the blog posting for Google Suggest and then the one for Google's Advanced Search page.

MidgeF: <http://MidgeFrazel.net/blog/>

MidgeF: Then come back

MatthewE: Back

MidgeF: Both of you are in California

DianaHar: yes

MidgeF: Great Matt

MidgeF: OK good

MatthewE: I'm in San Diego.

MidgeF: OK, you probably both know how to get to Google

MatthewE: Oh Diana is in Escondido...just a hop, skip, and a jump away from me

MidgeF: It's in California (but I mean on the Web)

MidgeF: That's a Google joke

BJB2 rolls her eyes

MidgeF: <http://www.google.com>

MatthewE: LOL

MidgeF: Midge writes all day and is tired

DianaHar: yes I know google and san diego :)

BJB2: I especially like the file type option in the advanced search

MidgeF: Anyway, go there and find the link for the Advanced page

MidgeF: Don't get ahead of us BJB....

MatthewE: I see it

BJB2 sits on her hands

DianaHar: do I click advanced search?

MidgeF: Yes

MidgeF: The main Google page is OK but you can do so much more here

DianaHar: OK, I have it. I am toggling between two screens because if I leave here I will get kicked out

MidgeF: This is the actual URL for that page

MidgeF: http://www.google.com/advanced_search

MidgeF: In case you want to skip the main page

MidgeF: This page has been redesigned to help people who are scared of Boolean Algebra

DianaHar: thanks

MidgeF: I was at first until I understood the words

DianaHar: it is similar

MidgeF: All, NOT, OR and phrase searching

MidgeF: What you type in the top group of boxes matters.

MidgeF: This is hard to teach kids

DianaHar: do you want us to search for something

MidgeF: So, my friend Rockwell wrote a small application to explain Boolean algebra

MidgeF: It's quite good

MatthewE: the musician?

DianaHar: all these words?

MidgeF: <http://kathyschrock.net/rbs3K/boolean/>

MatthewE: do you want us to go to the url?

MidgeF: Rockwell is Kathy Schrock's son and a student at UConn

DianaHar: I am familiar with Kathy Schrock

MatthewE: ahhh...

MidgeF: Yes, let's go there and then come back here

DianaHar: She has done a lot for technology in education

MidgeF: She's my friend.

MatthewE: It's a small world after all.

MidgeF: Yes, and she loves that ride at Disney

MatthewE smiles to Midge

MidgeF: Now, from the Boolean machine you can see how the top section of the Advanced page works.

MidgeF: Return to the Advanced page and type

MidgeF: two words in the top box like monarch butterfly

MidgeF: then look at the results by clicking the Advanced search button

BJB2: a bazillion matches

MatthewE: true

MidgeF: That's because it finds BOTH words on each one of those pages in the body of the pages

MidgeF: Let's try phrase searching

DianaHar: Everything has to have those two words

MidgeF: In the exact words or phrase type the same words

MidgeF: Right Diana

MidgeF: You may have to erase what you typed before in the all box

MatthewE: only list a few...

MatthewE: or cut and paste

MidgeF: It glues the two words together and makes the search engine look for them next to each other on every page

MatthewE: only 10K less

MidgeF: It's not a big help with this example but it does help

MidgeF: Let's try in the phrase box

MidgeF: Salem witch trials

MatthewE: It helps when you advance search your full name!

MidgeF: That's called ego surfing

BJB2 chuckles

MatthewE: that narrowed it down by about 100K

MidgeF: BJB laughs but that's how I find out what Google knows about me

MatthewE: I never knew about that google feature

MidgeF: and thinks is important

MidgeF: Yes, well that's why I wrote a book about this stuff

MatthewE: should I see someone about my ego issues then?

DianaHar: So the phrase just has to be somewhere in the description or topic

MidgeF: Now you can use phrase searching from the main google page

MidgeF: You're male - no help will be needed

DianaHar: yes

MatthewE nods to Midge

MidgeF: Phrase searching at the main page is accomplished with putting double quotes around the phrase to be searched.

MatthewE: double quotes?

MidgeF: "monarch butterfly"

MatthewE: "Midge"

BJB2: " instead of '

MatthewE: got it

MidgeF: Great!

DianaHar: I meant yes to the phrasing, not to Matthew's ego :)

MidgeF: well, both

MatthewE: I really needed the laughs...THANK YOU

MidgeF: You can narrow down another level.

MidgeF: Say you want to find maps of the Salem witch trials

MidgeF: You can add the word maps in the box under the phrase search.

MatthewE: 178K now...yeah

MatthewE: much narrower

MidgeF: OK so you get the idea

MatthewE: indeed

MidgeF: Mess around with this for your curriculum needs and then teach it to your classes

MidgeF: I just took examples I used to use when I was teaching teachers

MidgeF: On my blog there is a link for Operands

BJB2: <http://www.makeuseof.com/tag/master-the-google-search-like-a-god-save-time/>

MidgeF: That helps you understand what each word means

MidgeF: OK you are doing great

MidgeF: Erase all the words on the page and enter this in the all the words box

MidgeF: Rubrics digital storytelling

MidgeF: Pull down the File type box and look at the specific file types listed there. Notice that you can find things in Adobe Acrobat, Word and PowerPoint too. This is handy for finding out what others have created that you can use in your classroom. Choose Adobe Acrobat and click the Advanced Search button.

DianaHar: yes, BTW Matthew...Are you in Dr. Hayden's class from CSUSM?

MatthewE: Yes I am! Good to see you!

MidgeF: So you are taking a grad class?

MidgeF: Dazzle them with your new knowledge

MatthewE: we are

MatthewE: we will

MidgeF: my main page is **MidgeFrazel.net**

MidgeF: or Google me

MatthewE: our students as well...they love it when I tell them I am a student as well

MatthewE: That is too cool!

MidgeF: OK I'm going to repeat this:

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MidgeF: Then come back

MatthewE: over 22K...wow...who knew

MidgeF: This works nicely to find things in PowerPoint, Excel and Acrobat

MatthewE: rubrics digital storytelling filetype:pdf so we could type it in as well

MidgeF: Yes, Matt sees that the box at the top of the page shows you what Google sees

MidgeF: It's how you used to have to type stuff the hard way to find it

MatthewE: some of those rubrics are absolutely awesome...I taught some alliteration today...can you tell

DianaHar: This is cool! I am sorry to be slow, sometimes my computer freezes and I have to wait

MidgeF: Rubrics are hard to find because people are making them and putting them in PDF to hide them

MidgeF: But, not from us!

MidgeF: OK you guys are doing a good job

MatthewE: is there a way to convert the pdf to a .doc

MidgeF: Let's use the domain search

MidgeF: No

MatthewE: ouch

MidgeF: Yes, that's why people are learning to protect their work

MidgeF: and not share

MatthewE: Go American Midge!

DianaHar: I like that I can look specifically for a type of file.

MidgeF: That's part of next month's Frazel Features

MatthewE: I wish teachers would share more...we tell the kids to share...

MidgeF: Yes, I think it is great. I hate looking for Excel files

MatthewE: Then I'll see you next month as well!

MidgeF: Teachers never practice what they preach

MatthewE: unfortunately true

MatthewE: collaboration!!!

MidgeF: Ok let's try the domain search

BJB2 . o O (except teachers in Tapped In)

MidgeF: Let's look for my videos posted at YouTube.

MatthewE nods to BJB

MidgeF: Type my name Midge Frazel in the all the words box and then in the “search within a site or domain” youtube.com and then click the “Advanced Search” button.

MatthewE: portfolio

MidgeF: Sorry bad typing

MidgeF: Yes, I have three videos at YouTube

MidgeF: I use this to locate tutorial videos created by others on Web 2.0 applications and many people learn Photoshop and Google by this same method

MatthewE: I like the music...

MidgeF: Thanks...blush

MatthewE: It's now playing in the background!

MidgeF: The portfolio is for my Master's degree

MatthewE: cool

MidgeF: Some of youtube is junk and some is great. Searching for mini-tutorials can save you a lot of trying to figure out the new apps

MidgeF: Yes, but she has the links from the blog for later

MidgeF: I'm going to give you the last link I planned

MidgeF: An interesting Web page that was not created by Google is Soople. It allows you to search the different tools of Google.

MidgeF: <http://www.soople.com/>

MatthewE: cool site

DianaHar: Thank you, I will go back over any information I get from the transcripts

MidgeF: Soople is very handy for doing things with Google once you understand how

DianaHar: Matthew, if possible, can you let me know if I missed something from the discussion via WebCT

MidgeF: It's good for things you need for life too beyond the classroom

MidgeF: like movies and books

MatthewE: of course...you'll also receive the full transcript as well...I believe

DianaHar: I look forward to checking it out. Did I miss much other than Soople

MidgeF: She only missed the Youtube searching

MatthewE: You didn't miss anything.

MidgeF: Matt will teach you.

MatthewE: no prob

MidgeF: Now, I wanted to leave you a bit of breathing room

MidgeF: The only reason to not use the Google Main page is when there is a special event

MidgeF: The Google Logo changes its picture and they link to that event

MidgeF: The weekend was links to the autumnal equinox

MidgeF: But, you know to use phrase searching to find that

MidgeF: But it is fun to see the wonderful logos

MatthewE: all is well in the universe

BJB2 agrees about the Google logos

DianaHar: Midge, are you saying the logo itself can take you to a site

MidgeF: BJB and I like the artwork

DianaHar: me too

MatthewE: me too

MidgeF: Yes, if the logo changes to something other than the regular one

DianaHar: Ok that is new to me

MidgeF: It's really cool. I do look for learning about special holidays and people's birthdays

MidgeF: OK, this is it! You both survived nicely.

MidgeF: Questions?

BJB2: Thanks, Midge. Informative and fun as always

DianaHar: Thank you. Every time I get on Tapped In I definitely learn something more!

MidgeF: Did you know all that BJB?

BJB2: most of it. I also always learn something new

MatthewE: No...I'm excited to try it all out more! Thank you very much.

BJB2 . o O (or relearn stuff I forgot)

MidgeF: Next month we will talk about sharing and storage

DianaHar: Bye BJB, Matthew and Midge :-)

BJB2 waves bye and heads for mathedtech

MatthewE waves goodbye for now

MidgeF: Goodnight and thanks for coming!