


## Exercise #4

### Techniques for Limiting Search Results

In this exercise you will explore commands for limiting search results by requiring that specific search terms occur in particular parts of web pages.

- Use Google basic to answer the questions below.
- When you reach a stop sign symbol , please pause and wait for group discussion before continuing.

#### A. Limiting to fields within web pages

Compare the following three searches trying to answer this question:

*What is or can be done about asthma and air quality in California?*

1. ***"indoor air quality" asthma california***

Number of results \_\_\_\_\_

Usefulness:

2. ***intitle:"indoor air quality" asthma california***

Number of results \_\_\_\_\_

Usefulness:

3. ***"indoor air quality" intitle:asthma california***

Number of results \_\_\_\_\_

Usefulness:

4. ***allintitle:"indoor air quality" asthma california***

Number of results \_\_\_\_\_

Usefulness:



#### B. Searching within a site, comparing *inurl:* versus *site:*

*How can I find matching pieces to extend or replace the gold Lenox Tuxedo china dinnerware that my grandmother passed down to me? I've tried eBay and I'd like to compare what I see there with some other sellers' sites.*

What is the difference in the number of results and effectiveness of the following searches?

1. ***site:ebay.com lenox tuxedo gold china***

Number of results \_\_\_\_\_

Usefulness:

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2. *inurl:ebay lenox tuxedo gold china*

Number of results \_\_\_\_\_

Usefulness:

3. *-inurl:ebay lenox tuxedo gold china*

Number of results \_\_\_\_\_

Usefulness:

4. *inurl:lenox lenox tuxedo gold china*

Number of results \_\_\_\_\_

Usefulness:



### **C. Limiting to file formats other than HTML**

#### **Answer 1 or 2:**

1. *I want PowerPoint presentations from reputable universities in the U.S. about the impact in China of its one-child policy.*
  
2. *What is the death-rate for malignant mesothelioma in the United States? I need fact sheets and reports, not just web pages.*