



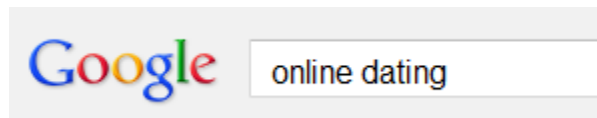
Library Databases vs. the Open Web Worksheet



Use *Google* and the *Academic Search Complete* library database to search the topic **online dating** and compare the type of information found from each resource.

A. Search Google:

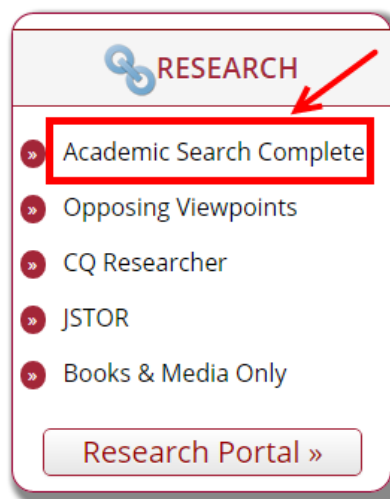
1. Go to Google at <http://www.google.com>.
2. Type **online dating** in the search window. Press the <Enter> key or click on the **Google Search** button to search.



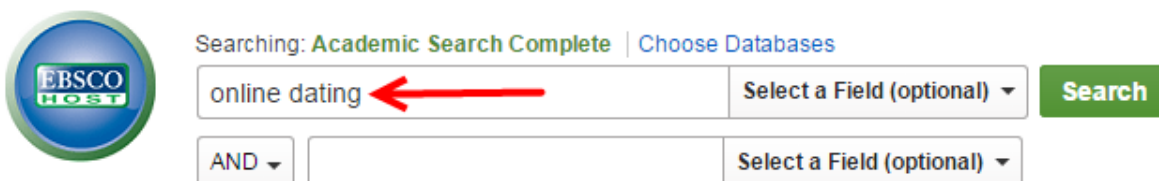
3. When the *Google Results* screen appears, **click on and briefly review the first 5 web sites**.
4. **Print out the first page of any web site** from the results and **attach it to this worksheet**.

B. Search for full-text articles in the Academic Search Complete database:

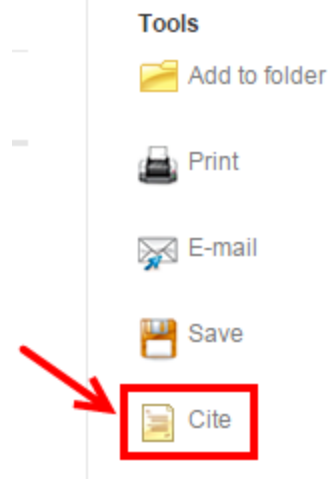
1. Go to the library homepage: <http://library.reynolds.edu>. Click on **Academic Search Complete** from the *Research* menu.



2. When the Academic Search Complete database search screen appears, type **online dating**. Press the <Enter> key or click on the **Search** button.



- When the articles search results screen opens in a new window, click on the **title of each of the first 5 articles links and briefly review the articles found.**
- Print out the 1st page of any article** from the results you reviewed and **attach it to this worksheet.**
- When reviewing the articles click on **Cite** from the *Tools* menu on the right. Notice each citation style's format. (e.g., APA, MLA, etc.)



C. Compare Results from Google & the databases.

Answer the following:

- Which resource includes a variety of search options to retrieve more relevant results?

Google Database Both Neither

- Which resource includes ads?

Google Database Both Neither

- Which resource retrieves more full-text journal and magazine articles?

Google Database Both Neither

- Which resource is best for college level research?

Google Database Both Neither

- Did any of the web pages you reviewed from your Google results feature an automatic citation tool like the *Cite* tool in Academic Search Complete?

Yes No