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Google Search Operators Cheat Sheet

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No.	Operator	What does it do?	Category	Deprecating? These ones can be unreliable
1	" "	Allows searching for a specific phrase - exact match search. Individual word prevents synonyms	Basic, Mail	
2	OR	Boolean search function for OR searches as Google defaults to AND between words - must be all caps	Basic, Mail	
3	|	Implements OR	Basic	
4	()	Allows grouping of operators and helps dictate order	Basic, Mail	
5	-	Excludes a word from results	Basic, Mail	
6	*	Acts as a wildcard and will match any word or phrase	Basic	
7	#..#	# represents a number in this instance. Use to find numbers in a series.	Basic	
8	$	Allows for search of USD	Basic	
9	€	Allows for search of Euro	Basic	
10	in	Allows searches for unit conversion (currency, unit or measure)	Basic	
11	~	Prefix - Include synonyms (potentially defunct)	Basic	✔
12	+	Prefix - Force exact match on single phrase	Basic, Mail	✔
13	daterange:	Return results in a specified range (requires julian dates)	Advanced	✔
14	link:	Find pages that link to the target domain	Advanced	✔
15	inanchor:	Find pages linked to with the specified anchor text/phrase. Data is heavily sampled.	Advanced	✔
16	allinanchor:	Find pages with all individual terms after "inanchor:" in the inbound anchor text.	Advanced	✔
17	inposttile:	Finds pages with keywords in their post titles (i.e. for researching blogs)		
18	define:	Pulls a card response from Google displaying the dictionary definition of the word or phrase	Advanced	

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19	cache:	Returns the most up to date cache of an indexed web page	Advanced	
20	filetype:	Returns only files of a particular type associated with the keyword searched	Advanced	
21	ext:	As above, based on extension	Advanced	
22	site:	Limit results to those from one site	Advanced	
23	related:	Find similar domains to the queried domain	Advanced	
24	intitle:	Returns pages based on the searched query appearing in their title	Advanced	
25	allintitle:	Similar to intitle: but only returns titles where all the words in the title match	Advanced	
26	inurl:	Only returns results where the queried keyword(s) is present in the URL	Advanced	
27	allinurl:	As above but only containing all of the specified words in the URL	Advanced	
28	intext:	Finds pages where the keyword(s) are mentioned within the page content.	Advanced	
29	allintext:	Similar to "intext," but only results containing all of the specified words somewhere on the page will be returned.	Advanced	
30	AROUND(X)	This is sandwiched between two words and the X declares how many words they must be mentioned between. I.e. if it's (4) then the two keywords must be mentioned within 4 words of each other.	Advanced	
31	weather:	Brings up the featured snipped for weather for that location	Advanced	
32	stocks:	Returns stock information for the specified ticker	Advanced	
33	map:	Force google map results for a particular query	Advanced	
34	movie:	Find information for the specified movie (particularly useful when that movie has an ambiguous name). If the movie is still in theatres it'll also return screen times	Advanced	

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35	source:	Use in google news, returns results from the specified source	Advanced	
36	_	Acts as wildcard for autocomplete	Advanced	
37	blogurl:	Find blog URLs under a specific domain. This was used in Google blog search, but I've found it does return some results in regular search.	Advanced	✓
38	loc:	Returns results for a specific location	Advanced	✓
39	location:	As above but with Google news	Advanced	
40	info:	Returns information rlated to a domain (pages with dmain text, similar on-site pages, cache etc)	Advanced	
41	near	Part of the google maps lazy searches e.g. book shops near work	Maps	
42	Business type	E.g. cafe, restaurant, bar etc will return a selection of appropriate businesses in the are	Maps	
43	Petrol/Charging Station	EV near me or perol station near me returns	Maps	
44	type:	Allows you to search drive by file type	Drive	
45	owner:	Allows you to search drive by owner of file or folder	Drive	
46	after:	Allows you to search drive or mail for files modified or mail sent/received anytime after a set date	Drive, Mail	
47	before:	Allows you to search drive or mail for files modified or mail sent/received before a certain date	Drive, Mail	
48	to:	Allows you to search drive for files shared with a specific person	Drive	
49	title:	Searches drive for files with the keyword in their title alone	Drive	
50	source:domain	Allows you to search for files or folders shared with everyone in your business	Drive	
51	is:trashed	Searches for the item in the Drive bin	Drive	

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52	is:starred	Searches only items that have been starred in drive	Drive, Mail	
53	from:	Specify the sender in google mail	Mail	
54	to:	Specify the recipient in google mail	Mail	
55	cc:	Search by a recipient that was copied into an email	Mail	
56	bcc:	Search by a recipient that was blind copied into an email	Mail	
57	subject:	Search by keywords featured in the subject line	Mail	
58	{}	Use for OR in mail instead of the OR function	Mail	
59	AROUND	Similar to the normal google search function, allows you to search for keywords near each other.	Mail	
60	label:	Search for messages that have a certain label	Mail	
61	has:attachment	Search for messages that have an item attached	Mail	
62	has:drive	Search for messages with a google drive attached	Mail	
63	has:document	Search for messages with a google doc attached	Mail	
64		Search for a message with a google sheet attached	Mail	
65		Search for a message with a google presentation attached	Mail	
66	has:youtube	Search for a message containing a youtube video	Mail	
67	list:	Search for all messages from a particular mailing list	Mail	
68	filename:	Search for messages with a particular type of file attached, or the exact name of a file	Mail	
69	in:anywhere	Includes all folders in your search, including spam and bin	Mail	

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70	is:important	Search for messages that have been marked as important	Mail	
71	label:important	Same as is:important	Mail	
72	is:snoozed	Searches for messages that have been snoozed	Mail	
73	is:unread	Searches for unread messages	Mail	
74	is:read	searches for read messages only	Mail	
75	has:yellow-star	Searches for messages with coloured star icon	Mail	
76	has:blue-info	Searches for messages with colourd icon	Mail	
77	older:	Search for messages older than a certain date	Mail	
78	newer:	Search for messages newer than a certain date	Mail	
79	is:chat	Searches for messagse from chat	Mail	
80	deliveredto:	Search by email address for delivered messages	Mail	
81	category:	Searches by messages based on category. Follow the colon with the categoy name, i.e. category:primary	Mail	
82	size:	Messages larger than a certain size in bytes	Mail	
83	larger:	Messages larger than a certain size in bytes	Mail	
84	smaller:	Messages smaller than a certain size in bytes	Mail	
85	has:userlabels	Search for messages that have custom user labels	Mail	
86		Search for messages that have no custom user labels	Mail	