Keyword Searching

Keyword searching uses the words for the **key** (main) concepts of your topic as the terms for your search boxes:

“I want information about **cats** and **dogs**”.

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Boolean Searching

Boolean searching uses the words **AND**, **OR**, **NOT** with keywords to specify terms to find results.

**AND** narrows your search by requiring that **all** of your terms appear in each result document.

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\text{**cats AND dogs**} =
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**OR** widens your results by requiring **either** term, **separately or in combination**, in your results:

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\text{**cats OR dogs**} =
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**NOT** narrows your search by requesting documents **not containing** your term.

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\text{**cats NOT dogs**} =
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