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Task 3 Report: Discussion on Search Techniques

1. Types and Strategies of Web Searches

I divide web searches into academic searches and everyday life searches to better match the tools and methods for each type.

Academic Searches

- Search Tools: For accurate academic information, I usually use:
 - Google Scholar
 - Other Databases: Databases mentioned in our course, like IEEE Xplore, JSTOR, and EBSCOhost, offer reliable academic sources.
- Checking Information Reliability:
 - Peer Review
 - Citation Count
 - Author's Background

Everyday Life Searches

- Search Tools: For everyday questions, I often use Google for image or text searches.
- Filtering Information: I look at the date and popularity of the content. Newer information fits current situations better, and popular pages are usually more reliable, as more people have viewed them.
- Official Sources: When available, I prefer using official websites for correct information.

2. Library Search Techniques

- Subject-Based Searches
- Expanding Keywords

3. Library Resource Filtering Skills

- Checking Table of Contents and Abstracts
- Looking at Bibliographies

4. Using Both Internet and Library Resources Together