**Searching Smart – Worksheet**

**Task1:**

Complete the table below by doing the following tasks for each row of the table:

1. Predict if the number of results will be HIGHER or LOWER than the previous search results.
2. Go onto [www.google.com](http://www.google.com) and type in the search term exactly as it is written.
3. Write down the number of results.
4. Explain why the results have differed from the previous search results.

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| Search Term | Number of Results from search | HIGHER/LOWER than previous result? | Explanation why the number of results has differed from the previous search. |
| River Otter | e.g. 5,630,000 |  |  |
| River OR Otter | 3,520,000,000 | Higher | Because the there are lots of rivers and otters and it searched it separately |
| River -Otter | 322,000,000 | Lower | Because there is only one result to search for |
| “River Otter” | 1,820,000 | Lower | Because there is less to search for |

**Task 2:**

Play the “Google Whack” game:

Visit Google. Submit a query of two words, but don't use quote marks. (Quotes tell Google to find the enclosed words immediately adjacent - and that's just too easy!) Use no punctuation in your words, and no numbers (just 26 letters from A through Z). Find two words that return one result...if you can.

You have 5 minutes – the winner in the class is the person who has the fewest search results from their search using only two words.