

- Keywords **must be unique** to the required skills. Order keywords by most relevant first. Use quotes for “phrase searches.”
- Use **four to eight** keywords. Copy the search string **exactly**, change only the underlined terms, such as **KEYWORD**, **ASSOCIATION**, etc. Use no spaces after “~” “-” and “:”
- Limit the search construct to **five** Booleans, less if including commands. The best approach is one delivering about 250 results.

TYPE OF SEARCH	COPY AND PASTE EVERYTHING INTO GOOGLE - REPLACE <u>KEYWORD</u> WITH YOUR OWN TERMS
Find Resumes	<p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> (inurl:~resume intitle:~resume)</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> ~resume (me my) --job</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> (ext:pdf ext:doc ext:rtf) ~resume --jobs</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> ~resume -ext:htm -ext:html --jobs</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> (~resumé ~rèsumè ~résumé ~CV ~Vitae ~vitae) -intitle:~job -intitle:~jobs</p> <p>[Append a zip code number range to any of the above and instantly localize your search results. Example: "ASIC Embedded (inurl:resume intitle:resume) 30002..31999" returns only results in GA]</p>
Personal Homepages	<p><u>KEYWORD1</u> (intitle:favorites intitle:bookmarks inurl:favorites inurl:bookmarks)</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> <u>KEYWORD4</u> (intitle:~favorites inurl:~favorites)</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> site:members.aol.com ~CV</p> <p>[Try replacing members.aol.com with tripod.com, angelfire.com, fortunecity.com, geocities.com, webpages.charter.net, ourworld.compuserve.com, home.earthlink.net, home.mindspring.com, home.comecast.net, home.att.net, bellsouth.net, qwest.net, freeservers.com, or use any ISP or host!]</p>
Employee Homepages	<p>site:members.aol.com <u>KEYWORD1</u></p> <p>[Use the email domain of any target company, i.e.: @cisco.com. Also try replacing members.aol.com as above]</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> intext:<u>KEYWORD3</u> -site:<u>KEYWORD4</u> (me my)</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> intext:<u>KEYWORD3</u> contact=me</p> <p>site:<u>ISPDOMAIN.COM</u> *@<u>COMPANYDOMAIN.COM</u></p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> intext:<u>COMPANYDOMAIN.COM</u> -site:<u>COMPANYDOMAIN.COM</u> (me my)</p> <p>inurl:msgid inurl:"<u>TARGET COMPANY'S IP ADDRESS</u>"</p>
Associations	<p><u>ASSOCIATION</u> contact=me also try site:<u>ASSOCIATIONURL.COM</u> (chair agenda keynote)</p> <p>site:<u>ASSOCIATIONURL.COM</u> (filetype:doc filetype:ppt filetype:xls) ~contact</p> <p><u>ASSOCIATION</u> (~directory ~contact) (inurl:member intitle:member)</p>
Conferences	<p>"I spoke at" "<u>CONFERENCE NAME</u>" <u>YEAR</u></p> <p>("I attended" OR "I was at" OR "I went to") "<u>CONFERENCE NAME</u>" <u>YEAR</u></p> <p>site:<u>CONFERENCEURL.COM</u> speakers also try site:<u>CONFERENCEURL.COM</u> presentations</p>
Alumni	<p>"<u>COMPANY NAME</u>" (directory contact) (inurl:alumni intitle:alumni)</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> site:edu ~resume</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> worked contact=me also try intext:<u>KEYWORD1</u> my=job ~contact</p> <p>~contact (@<u>KEYWORD1</u> intext:<u>KEYWORD1</u>) (inurl:alumni intitle:alumni)</p>
Mailing List Archives	<p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> archive (inurl:list inurl:mail intitle:list intitle:mail)</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> (index=*~mail index=*~archive) also try <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> thread index</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> inurl:msgid also try <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> +to +from subject date sender</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> (outofoffice out=*~office out=*~*~office) (thread list index)</p>
Website Content	<p>site:<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> [Searches all the content of that particular website]</p> <p>site:<u>KEYWORD1</u> filetype:ppt [Reveals documents from the site. Also try xls, doc, pdf, etc.]</p>
Blogs	<p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> (inurl:~blog intitle:~blog)</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> site:blogspot.com</p> <p>Try replacing blogspot.com with any of these popular blog hosts: blogs.msdn.com, livejournal.com, myspace.com, spaces.live.com, 360.yahoo.com, typepad.com, wordpress.com, technorati.com, xanga.com, weblogs.com and weblogger.com. Note that you can only do one site: at a time!</p>
Google Groups	<p><u>KEYWORD1</u> insubject:RE group:*<u>KEYWORD2</u>* [finds discussion threads on your subject]</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> insubject:resume [finds actual resumes posted to Groups]</p> <p><u>KEYWORD1</u> author:@<u>COMPANYDOMAIN.COM</u> [finds messages posted from that company]</p>

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Wildcards:	Used to extend results when current results are too narrow.
~ (the “tilda”)	[Finds synonyms related words, acts like a fuzzy search]
Ex: ~resume	[Finds also resumes (plural), CV, Vitae, Curriculum Vitae and others]
Ex: ~software	[Finds also softwares, drivers, applications, shareware, etc.]
Ex: ~~job	[Eliminates pages that don’t mention jobs, employment, career, etc.]
* (word wildcard)	[Placeholder for any word. For proximity search use in multiples: * * * one word each]
=*= (wildcard phrase search)	[Ex: software==engineer finds software design engineer, software test engineer... and so on]
NumRange:	Used to find ranges of numbers in sequence, like serial numbers and zip codes
30002..31999	[Zip codes for GA: 30002 = Avondale Estates, 31999 =Columbus] Ex: product==manager intitle:resume 30002..31999
Title / URL:	Finds pages with specific words contained in the document name address
intitle:resume	[Finds the word “Resume” in the document name]
inurl:resume	[Finds the word “Resume” in the address of the page] HINT: USE BOTH with OR!
Link:	Finds websites that contain links to a relevant website. Could be home pages, bios, associations, etc.
link:www.mit.edu	[Finds people who have links to MIT on their pages like grads, employees, suppliers, etc.] HINT: Can’t be used with ANY Booleans or special commands
Site:	Searches for content only within that target website.
site:www.anywebsite.com	[Ex. “site:www.mit.edu ~resume” finds resumes at the MIT domain]
Groups	Commands used with Groups.Google.com (a.k.a. Usenet, News Groups)
insubject:resume	[Displays news group messages with the subject “RESUME:”]
group:	[Displays news group messages from a specific group]
author:	[Displays news group messages from one particular author] Ex: author:@companydomain.com = shows only messages posted by people at that company
Web Alerts:	Get search results via email daily weekly
http://www.google.com/alerts	[Enter search terms and email address, receive results]
File Type:	Finds different kinds of documents that aren’t just HTML. (NOTE: Can be replaced with “ext:”, i.e.: ext:doc or ext:rtf, etc.)
filetype:doc	[Finds MS Word* Documents like resumes]
filetype:rtf	[Finds MS Rich Text Documents, also a common resume format]
filetype:pdf	[Finds Adobe PDF Documents like resumes, bios, white papers]
filetype:ppt	[Finds MS PowerPoint* Presentations - may reveal org structures]
filetype:xls	[Finds MS Excel* Documents like membership lists, directories]
filetype:txt	[Finds Plain Text documents like resumes and email archives] HINT: When opening a found MS document, don’t forget to view the File Properties!



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- Search strings on Live generally cannot exceed 175 characters
- Instead of the Boolean OR between two choices, use pipe character above the Enter key. Example: (me | my)
- To eliminate a term from your results, precede with - (single dash), which is the NOT Boolean, and no space after the dash
- 2+ word phrases, surround with quotation marks or add a period or asterisk between (i.e.: business.analyst is the same as "business analyst")
- **Live.com began replacing MSN search in fall 2006**; if you see MSN references on Live, you are still on the same service
- We cover the most useful Live commands for sourcing below, but others may help; see <http://help.live.com> for more, in particular http://search.live.com/docs/help.aspx?t=SEARCH_REF_AdvSrchOperators.htm

TYPE OF SEARCH	COPY AND PASTE EVERYTHING INTO http://www.live.com REPLACE UNDERLINED TERMS WITH YOUR OWN.	EXAMPLES OR TIPS
Find Resumes	inbody:resume <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> -job -jobs -send -submit -you	inbody:resume hospital clinical care -job -jobs -send -submit -you
	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> resume (me my) -job -jobs -send -submit -you	hospital clinical care resume (me my) -job -jobs -send -submit -you
With synonyms	<u>KEYWORD1</u> (<u>SYNONYM1</u> <u>SYNONYM2</u>) resume -job -jobs -send -submit -you <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put closely related terms in an OR clause to find variants in resumes 	license (series.7 series.63) resume -job -jobs -send -submit -you <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The - (NOT) terms are ones you see in job postings but not in resumes
By file type	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> (filetype:pdf filetype:doc filetype:rtf) resume -job -jobs -send -submit -you <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These are most common resume filetypes, but you can add others. 	java struts ruby (filetype:pdf filetype:doc filetype:rtf) resume -job -jobs -send -submit -you
Academic or International	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> (resumé rèsumé résumé CV vita vitæ) -job -jobs -send -submit -you <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum vita, CV, etc., usually equates to a resume in academia and outside USA 	geo remote.sensing (resumé rèsumé résumé CV vita vitæ) -job -jobs -send -submit -you
URL/Title	(intitle:resume inurl:resume) <u>KEYWORD1</u> (<u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u>) -job -jobs -send -submit -you <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resume search in the title or URL of web pages filters out job postings 	(intitle:resume inurl:resume) tax (cpa accountant) -job -jobs -send -submit -you
Consult	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> inbody:resume contact.me <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is especially good for finding consultant types who want you to contact them 	sarbanes-oxley audit inbody:resume contact.me
Resume Templates	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> (my.resume Professional.resume Elegant.resume contemporary.resume resume.wizard chronological.resume functional.resume) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Location Section on p.3 for resume search by location. 	Resume creator templates in word processing programs, etc., often generate specific words as the document title. Most people don't change that when uploading, so it's easy to exclusively target resumes.
Personal Homepages	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> (intitle:favorites intitle:bookmarks inurl:favorites inurl:bookmarks)	Try replacing members.aol.com with tripod.com, angelfire.com, fortunecity.com, geocities.com, webpages.charter.net, home.earthlink.net, home.mindspring.com, home.comcast.net, home.att.net, bellsouth.net, qwest.net, freeservers.com, or any ISP or host
	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> site:members.aol.com resume <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site: command preceding a domain name, searches pages only within that domain. 	
Find Workers at Home	(* <u>EMAILDOMAIN1</u> * <u>EMAILDOMAIN2</u> * <u>EMAILDOMAIN3</u> * <u>EMAILDOMAIN4</u>) <u>COMPANY1</u> <u>JOBTITLE1</u> (<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u>)	(*@aol.com *@gmail.com *@hotmail.com *@yahoo.com) deloitte consultant (sap oracle) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could add -intitle:sap -intitle:oracle to above to remove job postings & other undesirable results
	(intitle:home inurl:home intitle:blog inurl:blog intitle:weblog inurl:weblog) <u>JOBTITLE1</u> <u>KEYWORD1</u> (* <u>EMAILDOMAIN1</u> * <u>EMAILDOMAIN2</u> * <u>EMAILDOMAIN3</u>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can add other large email provider domains, such as earthlink.net, bellsouth.net, etc. 	(intitle:home inurl:home intitle:blog inurl:blog intitle:weblog inurl:weblog) cpa tax (*@gmail.com *@hotmail.com *@yahoo.com)



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Employee Homepages	site: <u>COMPANYDOMAIN</u> <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> • Use the domain name of any target company	site: ibm.com rational senior.software.engineer about.the.author
	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> inbody: <u>COMPANYDOMAIN</u> -site: <u>COMPANYDOMAIN</u> (me my)	c++ asp inbody: www.cisco.com -site: cisco.com (me my)
	(i.work.at i.worked.at i.work.with i.worked.with i.work.for i.worked.for) <u>COMPANY</u>	(i.work.at i.worked.at i.work.with i.worked.with i.work.for i.worked.for) Six Apart
	(i.used.to.work i.work.as.a i.worked.as.a i.work.as.an i.worked.as.an) <u>COMPANY</u>	(i.used.to.work i.work.as.a i.worked.as.a i.work.as.an i.worked.as.an) Six Apart
	(i.worked.on i.work.on my.team our.team) <u>COMPANY</u>	(i.worked.on i.work.on my.team our.team) homeland.security airport
	(i.work.at i.worked.at i.work.with i.worked.with i.work.for i.worked.for) (<u>JOBTITLE1</u> <u>JOBTITLE2</u>)	(i.work.at i.worked.at i.work.with i.worked.with i.work.for i.worked.for) (project.manager product.manager)
	site: <u>ISPDOMAIN</u> *@ <u>COMPANYDOMAIN</u> - <u>COMPANYDOMAIN</u>	site: comcast.net *@verizon.com -www.verizon.com
Associations & Conferences	site: <u>ASSOCIATIONURL</u> contact.me Though applied here to associations, you can search any website's content (e.g., a competitor) using site: command	site: marketingpower.com contact.me
	<u>ASSOCIATIONNAME</u> contact.me	midwest.booksellers.association contact.me
	(<u>ASSOCIATIONNAME</u> site: <u>ASSOCIATIONURL</u>) contact.me • Combine Association Name and Association URL in an OR clause for more results	(mobile.marketing.association site: mmaglobal.com) contact.me
	site: <u>ASSOCIATIONURL</u> (agenda chair keynote meeting minutes panel presenter speaker)	site: mmaglobal.com (agenda chair keynote meeting minutes panel presenter speaker)
	site: <u>ASSOCIATIONURL</u> (member roster attendee chapter board conference list)	site: mmaglobal.com (member roster attendee chapter board conference list)
	site: <u>ASSOCIATIONURL</u> (filetype: <u>TYPE1</u> filetype: <u>TYPE2</u> filetype: <u>TYPE3</u>) contact • Filetype search is useful when you want to limit your results to non-HTML pages that often contain presentations (ppt), lists of names (xls), memos/notes from meetings (doc), etc.	site: ieee.org (filetype: doc filetype: ppt filetype: xls) contact
	<u>ASSOCIATIONNAME</u> (directory contact list) (inurl: member intitle: member)	ieee (directory contact list) (inurl: member intitle: member)
	(i.attended i.was.at i.went.to i.spoke.at) <u>CONFERENCENAME</u> <u>YEAR</u>	(i.attended i.was.at i.went.to i.spoke.at) Mobile.Marketing.Forum 2006
	site: <u>CONFERENCEURL</u> (panel speakers presenters)	site: rsaconference.com (panel speakers presenters)
	site: <u>CONFERENCEURL</u> presentations (filetype: doc filetype: pdf filetype: ppt)	• Best if looking for papers, slides, etc., presented at conferences
“Who knows who” - implied endorsements via linking	link: Finds web sites that link to the specified URL. It tells you who links to whom (e.g., useful when trying to find who works with a certain product)	link: www.microsoft.com/dynamics/intro/default.msp x -site: microsoft.com • linkdomain: Also tells you who links to whom, but finds web sites that link to ANY page within the specified domain, not just the specified URL.
	linkfromdomain: <u>ASSOCIATIONURL</u> (<u>JOBTITLE1</u> <u>JOBTITLE2</u>) • linkfromdomain: Finds external sites that are linked to, from inside the specified domain. In other words, linkfromdomain: atg.com will show what non-ATG pages the various pages within the ATG website have links to.	linkfromdomain: mmaglobal.com (marketing.manager marketing.director) • This example finds sites that pages within MMAGlobal.com are linking to, and those non-MMAGlobal pages should have one of the above marketing job titles on them



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Special Commands	prefer: resume <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> -job -jobs -sample -template -you	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prefer: emphasizes a term or another operator, also impacts the order of results
	resume <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> (contains: doc contains: txt contains: pdf contains: htm contains: html) -job -jobs -sample -template -you <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains: restricts results to pages containing a link(s) to desired filetypes. Combine prefer: and contains: together! 	resume (retail restaurant) (asst.mgr assistant.manager assistant.mgr asst.manager) (contains: doc contains: txt contains: pdf contains: htm contains: html) prefer: payroll -job -jobs -sample -template -you
Alumni	<u>COMPANY</u> (directory contact) (inurl: alumni intitle: alumni)	arthur.andersen (directory contact) (inurl: alumni intitle: alumni)
	<u>COMPANY</u> (<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u>) worked contact.me <u>KEYWORD1</u> worked contact.me	Accenture (management.consultant management.consulting) worked contact.me
	inbody: <u>KEYWORD1</u> my.job contact	inbody: (management.consultant management.consulting) my.job contact
	(intitle: resume inurl: resume) <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> site: edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many colleges let students keep storing web pages there long after graduation
	major site: edu (intitle: resume inurl: resume) 2007 -example -template	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This search string helps find those about to graduate.
Mailing List Archives	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> archive (inurl: list inurl: mail intitle: list intitle: mail)	hedge derivatives archive (inurl: list inurl: mail intitle: list)
	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> (index.*.mail index.*.archive thread.index author.index)	(lymphogranuloma lymphogranulomata) (index.*.mail index.*.archive thread.index author.index)
	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> inurl: msgid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For sites that use this common message database structure
	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> +to +from subject date sender	lymphoma clinical.trial +to +from subject date sender
Blogs	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> (inurl: blog intitle: blog inurl: weblog intitle: weblog)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Try replacing blogspot.com with any of these popular blog hosts: blogs.msdn.com, livejournal.com, myspace.com, spaces.live.com, 360.yahoo.com, typepad.com, wordpress.com, technorati.com, xanga.com, weblogs.com and weblogger.com. Note that you can only insert one site: per string! To find feeds related to your search terms, click the Feeds button in Live.com's top horizontal menu bar.
	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> site: blogspot.com	
	<u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> (blog blogs) (comments rss feed archives posted tags trackback)	
Location	<u>KEYWORD1</u> , <u>JOBTITLE</u> (AREACODE1 AREACODE2 AREACODE3) (Tel Phone) (Email E-mail Contact.Us) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Click <i>More</i> button in Live.com's top horizontal menu bar and select <i>Local</i> to run your string as a local search (not useful on complex searches, however). 	non.hodgkin's.lymphoma ,.RN (312 773 708) (Tel Phone) (Email E-mail Contact.Us) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> US/Canada: Area codes + State/Prov. abbreviations may yield more results, but some states (e.g., OR) are problematic
	site: <u>COUNTRYCODE</u> (cv <u>RESUMEEQUIVALENT</u>) <u>KEYWORD1</u> (<u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u>) <u>NATIVEJOBTITLE</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use site: <u>COUNTRYCODE</u> to search in International countries (Click on Help URL under Language for more country codes). 	site: de (cv lebenslauf) Java (linux unix) Ingenieur <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must know the keywords in native language
Language	language: <u>COUNTRYCODE</u> (cv <u>RESUMEEQUIVALENT</u>) <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>KEYWORD2</u> <u>KEYWORD3</u> -job <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To target results by language, replace LangCode with the value from this list: http://search.live.com/docs/help.aspx?t=SEARCH_REF_Codes.htm Language can also be selected using Live.com's Search Builder (refer to the last page of this Cheat Sheet). Use language: en to limit your results to English only. 	language: de (cv lebenslauf) Java (linux unix) Ingenieur -job <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The loc and lang searches work together well for international search. Much more about International search to come in a future Cheatsheet on this topic!



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Results Rank & Search Builder Equivalents

- Run a search on <http://www.live.com>
- When your search results appear, you should see an *Advanced* link just below the search box
- The *Advanced* link will launch the Live.com Search Builder
- Click on *Results ranking* to adjust the following to refine your search results:

MATCH: {mtch=value} example: {mtch=20}

Decides how precise you want the first search results to be. To put the most emphasis on the match between your exact search words and your results, use a lower number. The closer you get to zero (0), more “exact matches” will be ranked first. Approaching one hundred (100) means your results will be more approximate, allowing the following two commands to determine results ranking. Exact matches are better for finding unique terminology, while the approximate matches will allow for a more loose interpretation of your search terms. All Results Ranking commands will work both when used alone or together. Note that using a low number close to zero will de-emphasize the other two Results Ranking commands.

POPULARITY: {popl=value} example: {popl=0}

Ranks results by how many other sites link to that site. Remember that most of the real nuggets of information for recruiters are hidden in sites which are unpopular and may have few, if any, other sites linking to them. Therefore, recruiters usually seek less popular sites where they can tap into hidden talent pools. The range begins at zero (0) for the least popular sites up to one hundred (100) for the most popular.

UPDATED RECENTLY: {frsh=value} example: {frsh=90}

Emphasizes sites more recently added to Live.com’s index. Fresh and new sites are not necessarily more likely to contain relevant candidate information, but may point to people who recently changed jobs or achieved notoriety. Note that blogs, journals, news related sites, and any website with dynamic content always show up as fresh since their “last edited date” will always be “today’s date.” Use a higher number to modify your search to add emphasis to sites recently added to the search index. A freshness of one hundred (100) ranks the most recently updated sites first, ranging to zero (0) for those least recently updated.

Example: accenture sox (regulatory | regulation) california
(attorney | lawyer) (merger | acquisition) {mtch=10} {popl=0}
{frsh=90}

At left, we seek *very exact matches* for talk about lawyers involved with Accenture on Sarbanes-Oxley regulatory issues tied to California M&A, *very low popularity* results (better if you want people less likely to be found), yet *newly-indexed*.

Ongoing Search Results as RSS Feed

If you have an RSS news reader, you can get new search results that match your criteria on an ongoing basis, much like a job board’s resume agent keeps sending you results by email.

- If you have Microsoft Internet Explorer 7 (recommended for this; free download at www.microsoft.com/ie): When you are viewing search results, click the orange RSS button in your MSIE toolbar. The page will change, then click “Subscribe to this feed”. It will prompt you to save it (name & folder location can be changed).
- If you are using another web browser or MSIE 6: When viewing search results, scroll to the end of the URL in your Address bar. It will end with &form=QBRE (or some other 4-letter combination). In the URL, replace form=QBRE with format=rss (leave preceding part of URL all the way up through final & as is) and press your <Enter> key. The page will change, then click “Subscribe to this feed”. You will need to add the URL to your RSS news reader. Example: if you search results URL was <http://search.live.com/results.aspx?q=intitle%3Aresume+orthogonal&mkt=en-US&form=QBNO> then your RSS feed URL for ongoing results is <http://search.live.com/results.aspx?q=intitle%3Aresume+orthogonal&mkt=en-US&format=rss>

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- No spaces after the - (single dash = NOT Boolean, to eliminate terms from your results)
- Surround 2+ word phrases with quotation marks (example: "Don Ho"). No spaces after leading " or before ending "
- LinkedIn.com features list (toolbars, InMail, jobs, paid subscriptions, etc.) are linked at very bottom of all site pages

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TYPE OF SEARCH	AFTER >> use the LinkedIn.com ADVANCED SEARCH form (www.linkedin.com/search?trk=hdr_advsrch) REPLACE UNDERLINED TERMS WITH YOUR OWN TERMS.		Examples or Tips
Boolean search	Keywords:	<u>KEYWORD1</u> AND (<u>KEYWORD2</u> OR <u>KEYWORD3</u>)	>> (lab OR laboratory) AND clinical
	Title: (current or past)	<u>GOODKEYWORD1</u> AND (<u>JOBTITLE1</u> OR <u>JOBTITLE2</u>) <u>-BADKEYWORD1</u> - <u>BADKEYWORD2</u>	>> Manager AND (QA OR Quality) -sales -marketing
	Company: (current companies)	<u>COMPANYNAME1</u> OR <u>COMPANYNAME2</u> OR <u>COMPANYNAME3</u> - <u>MYCOMPANY</u>	>> "Boston Scientific" OR Guidant OR Bayer -Johnson
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get the most out of LinkedIn when you use Booleans to narrow results.• You can have fewer/more terms (up to field's max. character length).		
Narrow Results <500	LinkedIn limits searches to 500 results, so if yours exceed that, try any or all of these US Only searches:		
	Location:	Located in or near	>> Located in or near
	Country:	Country Name	>> United States
	US Zip:	City Zipcode	>> 02116
	Industry:	Select best value, then select several sub-industries (submenu appears after industry is selected). Hold down Ctrl key before clicking multiple subindustries or previous choices will be deselected.	>> Medical and Health Care >> Subindustry: Pharmaceuticals
	Interested in:	Consultants, potential employees, entrepreneurs, hiring managers, experts, deal-making contacts	>> Potential employees
	Joined your Network:	Select desired subset of people	>> Since your last login
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For narrower focus, select a metropolitan area but note zip codes use 50 mile radius so pick a "central" zip code.			
Connect to Power Networkers	Conduct a search where your only criterion is a target industry or company, and sort by number of connections:		
	Company:	Enter a target company	>> Oracle
	Industry:	Select a target industry	>> Finance >> Subindustry: Any Industry
	Sort by:	Number of Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contacts in that industry or company will be sorted from most connections to least.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Even though it won't show you the person's actual number of connections if over 500, you can be confident the ones near the top are in the thousands, and their 2nd degree is hundreds of thousands, which now becomes part of your 3rd degree network. Ask to connect with these "power networkers" (feel free to invite them directly by clicking "I know [firstname]" right column link- especially if their profile displays their email or says Open Networker) and watch your network grow!			
Greater Results: Power Networker URL	If you know someone who has a larger total network than yours (especially among the candidates you seek), ask them to do the LinkedIn advanced search using your criteria and just send you the full results URL.	www.linkedin.com/search?search=&sik=1157067558593¤tCompany=currentCompany&keywords=Norway+OR+Finland+OR+Sweden&sortCriteria=1¤tTitle=currentTitle	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• That URL shows all the results as if you were that person, even though you are logged in as you. You do not need to share usernames/passwords.			
Int'l search	The location field only lets you search by one country at a time... BUT did you know you can use countries in the Keywords field with Booleans?		
	Keywords:	<u>COUNTRY1</u> OR <u>COUNTRY2</u> OR <u>COUNTRY3</u>	>> Norway OR Finland OR Sweden
Reference search	People tab → Reference Search (www.linkedin.com/rs?trk=tab_name)		
	Company Name & Years:	Enter up to 5 desired companies & Whatever you like for start and end (use 2006 to find people still there)	Pfizer 2002 (start) 2003 (end) Merck 2002 - 2003 Johnson & Johnson 2002 - 2003 Abbott 2002 - 2003 Novartis 2002 - 2003
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not only can you exceed 500 results with this search, but you will find new target companies.			
One-Click Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If you like someone's profile and s/he is 2 or 3 degrees away from you, click "one-click reference" link to find others with similar titles at the same companies.		Note: this feature may require a paid tier subscription on LinkedIn.

Bookmark Favorite	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Save any search as a normal favorite/bookmark. Then you can return to that search later and pick up where you left off.	Alternative: Use LI's Bookmark link near top left of any profile page (requires you install their free toolbar).								
Find Similar at 2nd-3rd Degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Click Connections tab on profiles of your desirable 1st degree contacts.Click one of your 1st degree contacts' connections who may match your hiring needs (example: Bob Smith).Below the right-hand column box labeled "Bob's Connections," click the "See all..." link for interesting 3rd degree contacts!	Your contacts' 1st degree connections are your 2nd degree contacts and are usually people in similar roles/industries.								
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Click Recommendations tab on someone's profile to show people that s/he recommends, other people who recommended the same person, and a link to people that the profilee recommends.Recommended people are usually peers, managers, or customers/clients.	Until Sept. 2006 site redesign, this feature was known as "Endorsements".								
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ZabaSearch.com	free website to search by name/state, reveals address and phone									
Google.com Email search	type <u>*@CompanyDomain</u>									

5 Never-Before-Seen Hacks (Results will find pages beyond your own LinkedIn network & will exceed 500!)

TYPE OF SEARCH	Type, Copy/Paste or Select menu choice into LinkedIn Advanced Search form or main search box of other search engine indicated. REPLACE UNDERLINED TERMS WITH YOUR OWN TERMS.	Examples or Tips						
The Site Hack (to find people's profiles)	At www.google.com search box: site:www.linkedin.com (<u>COMPANY1</u> OR <u>COMPANY2</u>) -inurl:static -inurl:redirect site:www.linkedin.com <u>KEYWORD1</u> <u>COMPANY1</u> -inurl:jobId <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This search type also works at http://search.live.com and http://search.yahoo.com and may yield some different results. 	site:www.linkedin.com (Google OR Motorola) -inurl:static -inurl:redirect site:www.linkedin.com C++ Google -inurl:jobId						
The Link Hack	At http://search.live.com search box: linkdomain:www.linkedin.com (<u>KEYWORD1</u> OR <u>KEYWORD2</u>) <u>JOBTITLE1</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finds people's links from non-LinkedIn sites back to LinkedIn (often to their own profiles). 	linkdomain:www.linkedin.com (sarbanes OR sox) analyst						
The URL and Title Hack	Use http://search.yahoo.com or google.com to find leads via the LinkedIn fields: Industry (any LinkedIn industry subcategory menu value), Location (any US metro) and Current (job title) : inurl:linkedin.com intitle:linkedin " <u>LinkedIn Subindustry</u> " <u>CityName</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This search typically yields THOUSANDS of results. If you get only a few results, click "repeat the search with the omitted results included" link at bottom of initial results page. 	inurl:linkedin.com intitle:linkedin "Medical Devices" Boston						
The Group Hack	Find LinkedIn groups to join and invite yourself! Once accepted, you can reach other members of those groups who otherwise would not be in your network. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group membership isn't guaranteed; some groups are moderated. Browse through LinkedIn group lists at www.linkedin.com/static?key=groups_directory, but that is only a subset LinkedIn promotes of the total number of groups! <table border="1"> <tr> <td>search.live.com</td><td>inbody:www.linkedin.com/e/gis (<u>KEYWORD1</u> OR <u>KEYWORD2</u>)</td><td>inbody:www.linkedin.com/e/gis (cybersleuth OR jobmachine)</td></tr> <tr> <td>google.com</td><td>www.linkedin.com/e/gis "<u>KEYWORD PHRASE</u>"</td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> www.linkedin.com/e/gis "new group" www.linkedin.com/e/gis (Skype OR Java) </td></tr> </table>	search.live.com	inbody:www.linkedin.com/e/gis (<u>KEYWORD1</u> OR <u>KEYWORD2</u>)	inbody:www.linkedin.com/e/gis (cybersleuth OR jobmachine)	google.com	www.linkedin.com/e/gis " <u>KEYWORD PHRASE</u> "	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> www.linkedin.com/e/gis "new group" www.linkedin.com/e/gis (Skype OR Java) 	
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The Freshness Hack	Who has signed up on LinkedIn or joined your (3 degrees) network since your last login? Enter some relevant Keywords, Company Names and/or Titles for your high-priority or other ongoing pipeline needs. Joined Your Network: Since last login <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Save the results URL (see Bookmark Favorites tip above) and re-run it weekly to see only new people. 							

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">Find and meet passive and semi-passive candidatesGrow your referral networkConduct Competitive Intelligence researchBuild business relationships with clients or hiring managersEducate yourself and ask (or answer) questions about organizations, associations and competitorsHeighten your corporate and personal brand	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Being head marketer for the brand called YOUOpen doors to future career opportunitiesCan lead to increased pay or promotionsIncreased visibility improves both internal and external influenceGreater influence leads to increased power and independenceBeing a recognized brand name increases trust with new contactsBecome the provider of choice when it comes to doing what you do
BUILD YOUR NETWORK	BUILD TRUST
<ol style="list-style-type: none">Add all your jobs, schools, degrees, certificates, associations, groups and interests to your profile. This way you can connect with people from all those organizations.Connect with everyone you know who is already a LinkedIn user. This way you don't have to invite them to join!Connect with all your colleagues, classmates, military buddies and fellow association members.Invite your trusted contacts who aren't on LinkedIn yet.Join LinkedIn groups or start your own group (see www.linkedin.com/static?key=groups_info). Also see tip #33.Upload your contact archives:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Get all the business cards you've ever collected out of that dusty drawer and use something like CardScan.com to put them all into your Outlook email address book or an Excel file.Dig up all your old contact databases like Act!, Goldmine, Outlook, old Excel files – anything with email addresses.Merge all the above into one Excel spreadsheet, or into your Outlook, export it to a .CSV file, and import that into LinkedIn, or use their Toolbar to upload all these contacts (www.linkedin.com/static?key=outlook_toolbar_download).Once you upload, you'll see many of your contacts already have accounts. Invite them all – you know them, and they already use LinkedIn, so you won't have to explain it!You can always check if more people you know have signed up on LinkedIn using the "Discover your contacts" feature: www.linkedin.com/otherContacts?membersOnly=membersOnly&context=2&reset=reset&trk=mh_othcntsRoutinely upload your new contacts about once a month.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">State your networking goals in your profile Summary.Be clear but concise in your profile's job history descriptions. This is a "marketing" document. People should read each job and in 10 seconds say, "Aha! So that's what you do!"Ask for recommendations (see www.linkedin.com/recRequests?cor=) which are "testimonials" about you. They are critical in developing trust and using your network. More endorsements mean people "highly recommend" you."Who" endorses you gives you exponential credit: Quality is key, so get endorsements from your managers, clients and people with strong reputations and/or impressive profiles. People reading your profile often click through to read your endorsers' profiles!Make sure your endorsements are related to your LinkedIn goals. Looking for new business? Use happy customers. Looking for talent? Use happily placed candidatesEndorse your deserving connections – it's a good deed, and maybe they will return the favor (see www.linkedin.com/recommendations?prs=&trk=ftr_recos).Cultivate a positive and mutually beneficial network: make it your first priority – the key is reciprocity.It's always OK to accept invitations to connect from friends, acquaintances, former co-workers, clients, and fellow alumni, but not from complete strangers (unless of course you have established some common ground or mutually beneficial networking goals).Don't forward requests from people you don't know well unless they are compelling and demonstrate clear benefit to the receiving party. In other words, don't burden your contacts with frivolous or irrelevant requests.

TAKE ACTION	BECOME MORE VISIBLE
<p>18. If you haven't met someone, connect with them via email before requesting to be added to their network. Send an introductory note to get acquainted. Include how you think you would both benefit from your connection.</p> <p>19. When requesting something from a connection more than "two degrees" away, you had better be highly compelling.</p> <p>20. Craft thoughtful and detailed requests for your network connections to consider forwarding. Respect their time, and add value. Consider this: would you reply to this request if it were addressed to you?</p> <p>21. If your requests aren't being forwarded, ping your 1st degree connections via separate email as a reminder. They may be busy, or traveling, so don't be quick to judge them as unresponsive.</p> <p>22. Create your own boilerplate templates in Word or in Notepad. This reduces the amount of time you spend dealing with requests. All you have to do is copy and paste and spend time wisely customizing your responses, rather than writing them over and over from scratch.</p> <p>23. Use your own language style in those templates and your contacts will become familiar with it... assuming they don't already know it.</p> <p>24. Suggested templates you should have -- a different kind of "invitation to join networks" for each category: (a) Candidates; (b) Clients, customers, business partners; (d) Friends, buddies, casual acquaintances; (e) Peers and/or co-workers; (f) Alumni (college, employer, etc.)</p> <p>25. More suggested templates -- standard "requests to forward" responses for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forwarding a re-connection request • Passing along a typical request from a trusted connection • Acting like the Gatekeeper approving a "second degree" request • Polite "No, I can't help you but here are some other ideas" • Saying no because of a "Conflict of interest" • Rejecting an inappropriate request 	<p>26. You want to be found, right? So set your preferences to receive invites and direct contacts (see Receiving Messages section on Account & Settings page: https://www.linkedin.com/secure/settings)</p> <p>27. Make sure all of your email addresses are in your profile (see Email Addresses under "Personal Information" on Account & Settings page). Even old or expired ones. You don't have to make them all public, but previous contacts may have nothing but an out of date address for you and this way they will still find you!</p> <p>28. Consider adding an email address and/or phone number in the Contact Settings. You can add it to a section on the My Profile page (www.linkedin.com/myprofile) called "What advice would you give to users considering contacting you?" That way it's not out there for everyone, but those who need it can find it.</p> <p>29. At the bottom of your profile in the Interests section, add the top 50 keywords that best describe what you want to be known for.</p> <p>30. Add all of your websites and your blogs to your profile description so people can see what else you do.</p> <p>31. Get more exposure (see My Web Profile at www.linkedin.com/profile?editwp=) with: (a) Friendly URL; (b) 100% Profile Completeness; (c) Publish Full Profile; (d) Weblinks</p> <p>32. Join the OpenLink network and accept OpenLink messages (on Account & Settings page, Change "OpenLink Network" to Yes).</p> <p>33. Join third-party online lists focused on optimizing LinkedIn and growing one's network. Many of these you can click to join free, such as MyLinkedIn Power Forum and LinkedInInnovators (see http://groups.yahoo.com/search?query=linkedin for these and others, plus http://group.yahoo.com/group/linkedinlions which isn't). Make yourself known there and connect to others on them.</p>

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