

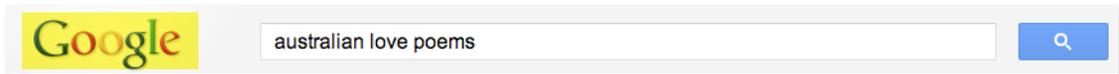
# Class Vocabulary List: using search engines

Your results from the 'How to read a web address' exercise have been compiled. Here is the list of terms that we will use when discussing elements of search results and web addresses. There are three lists in this vocabulary. The first list of words is useful for discussing the process of **using search engines**. The second list of words is useful for **reading search results**. The third list of words is useful for **reading and interpreting web addresses** in order to predict the type and reliability of information found on a website.

## List One: Vocabulary for using search engines

Although we use a search engine to find information on the internet nearly every day, how often do we often stop to think about what each part of it is called?

### search engine



### search box

### search bar



### search terms

### keywords

### keyword query



### search icon



## search result

The screenshot shows a Google search interface. The search bar contains the text 'australian love poems'. Below the search bar, the word 'Search' is displayed in red, followed by the text 'About 1,440,000 results (0.33 seconds)'. On the left side, there are links for 'Web', 'Images', and 'Maps'. The main search result is highlighted in yellow and contains the following text: **Love poems - Poems by theme and occasion - Australian Poetry ...**, followed by the URL [www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems](http://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems), and a snippet: **Love poems** have always been one of the most popular forms of poetry. Though it was once claimed that **Australians** did not write **love poems**, they have been ...

## List Two: Vocabulary for reading search results

Often a search result may suggest websites that are not helpful for your purpose. Therefore, before you visit a website suggested by the search engine, you must take a minute to READ the information provided in the search result. This can help you to save time and make more accurate predictions about the information you will find.

### search result heading

### hyperlink

This block shows a close-up of the search result heading and hyperlink. The heading is **Love poems - Poems by theme and occasion - Australian Poetry ...** and the hyperlink is [www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems](http://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems). Below the hyperlink is a snippet of text: **Love poems** have always been one of the most popular forms of poetry. Though it was once claimed that **Australians** did not write **love poems**, they have been ...

### web address

### URL (uniform resource locator)

This block shows a close-up of the web address and URL. The web address is **Love poems - Poems by theme and occasion - Australian Poetry ...** and the URL is [www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems](http://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems). Below the URL is a snippet of text: **Love poems** have always been one of the most popular forms of poetry. Though it was once claimed that **Australians** did not write **love poems**, they have been ...

### snippet

### website summary

This block shows a close-up of the snippet and website summary. The snippet is **Love poems** have always been one of the most popular forms of poetry. Though it was once claimed that **Australians** did not write **love poems**, they have been ...

### List three: Vocabulary for reading a web address

Each part of a web address, or URL, has its own name and serves a particular purpose. By having knowledge of these parts and their function, you can make a prediction of the type of information you are likely to find on the website, BEFORE clicking the hyperlink. Knowing how to read a web address can also assist you to navigate more easily to and from, and within websites.

#### domain name

#### title of website

[www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems](http://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems)

#### domain extension

Others include: .gov, .com., .org, .net

[www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems](http://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems)

#### country code extension

Others include: .uk (United Kingdom), .nz (New Zealand), .fr (France)

[www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems](http://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems)

#### forward slash

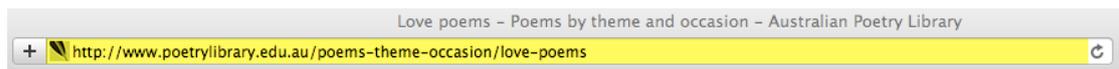
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#### web page title

[www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems](http://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poems-theme-occasion/love-poems)

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#### web address bar



### Definitions for List 1: Vocabulary for using search engines

Search engine	A computer program that searches documents on the internet, for a specified word or words and provides a list of websites in which they are found. Eg: Google
Search box / bar	The space on the computer screen where you type in keywords in order to conduct a search.
Search terms Key words Keyword query	Words entered into the search box of a search engine. These words are used to generate a list of suggested websites which match the query.
Query	Another word for question.
Synonym	A word which has the same, or nearly the same meaning as another word.
Search icon	The icon that appears in a search engine which, when clicked, commences the search for keywords
Search result	A collection of information about a website which is provided by a search engine. It includes the search result heading, URL, and snippet. It may also include other information such as date, author's by-line, file format, and /or an image.

### Definitions for List 2: Vocabulary for reading search results

Search result heading	The first line of a search result. It appears in blue font with the keywords of the search, or synonyms, highlighted in bold font. If you click on this line, it acts as a <b>hyperlink</b> and takes you to the website listed below.
Web address URL	A URL is the web address of an online resource. In a search result it appears below the search result heading (green font). In an internet browser window it appears in the web address bar at the top of the screen.
Web address box / bar	The space at the top of an internet browser where the URL or web address for the website appears.
Snippet Website summary	Two lines of text (black font) that appear in a search result to tell you more about the information available on the website. Keywords or synonyms are highlighted in bold font.
Hyperlink	A word, phrase, picture, icon, etc., on which an internet user may click to move to another part of the website or to a different website.

### Definitions for List 3: Vocabulary for reading a web address

Domain name Title of website	The title of the website. It may or may not be named after the organisation who maintain the website.
Domain extension	The three letters that follow after the domain name. This gives you a hint to the type of website that hosts and publishes the website. Examples include: .com, .edu, .gov, and .org
Country code extension	The two letters following the domain extension. It indicates the website's country of origin. Examples include: .au (Australia), .uk (United Kingdom), and .nz (New Zealand). Note, because the internet began in the USA, most American websites do not have a country code.
Forward slash	the symbol ( / ) that separates part of a URL , often a indicating separate page or pages within a website <i>"Everything after it takes you to the exact page, everything before it takes you to the home page."</i>
Web page title	The name of an individual web page within a website. It can be accessed from the website's home page by using a hyperlink.

### Review your understanding

1. Fill in the missing words in this cloze passage.

To conduct research using the internet you must first decide which ..... to use. The most commonly used search engine in our class is ....., however others include Ask, Yahoo and Bing. Once you have opened the search engine, you locate the ....., then you enter your ..... and click the .....

The search engine responds by using your search terms, or ....., to suggest a list of websites that match your .....

2. Ready to test yourself? Visit the link below for an interactive test.

<http://quizlet.com/12685907/8eng04-internet-vocabulary-list-flash-cards/>