



Searching by site and domain

Uses of the site: feature in most popular search engines.

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Search by website *type*

Perhaps most useful for study are:

Site:edu	Searches US educational sites
Site:ac.uk	Searches UK educational sites
Site:gov	Searches government websites

Search by Individual website

To search a particular website, enter its *domain name* after site: in the search box. The domain name is the part after www but before the first forward slash.

Site:bbc.co.uk	Searches the BBC website
Site: worldbank.org	Searches the World Bank website.
Site:Sheffield.ac.uk	Searches the University of Sheffield website
Site:bma.org	Searches the British Medical Association website

Search by *sections* of a website

This can be useful if you've heard that there's an interesting article on a site, or you remember seeing it but forgot to bookmark it. This can also be a way of browsing an interesting section of a site if it doesn't have its own search facility.

Here's a step by step of how to do it:

1. Go to the home page of the site section you're interested in, either using a search engine or by navigating to it from the site home page.
2. Look at the URL in your browser address bar:





3. Copy the URL *from* the dot after www *to* the last forward slash:



4. Go to your search engine and type in **site:**
5. Paste the URL fragment you just copied **directly after the colon** – without a space



6. Add your search terms



Search by country

Site:in	Indian websites
Site:cn	Chinese websites
Site:de	German websites
Site:jp	Japanese websites
Site:uk	UK websites

These are known as 'country code top level domains'. [There is a more complete list of them on Wikipedia.](#)