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FIVE BASIC CONNECTORS

OR	Synonym	=	<i>car OR auto OR vehicle</i>
W/#	Proximity	=	<i>car W/10 injure</i>
/#		=	<i>car /10 injure</i>
W/S		=	<i>Within the same sentence</i>
W/P		=	<i>Within the same paragraph</i>
AND	Required	=	<i>assumption of risk AND golf</i> <i>AND date is 1997</i> <i>AND date aft 5/2002</i> <i>AND date bef 9/5/1976</i>

UNIVERSAL CHARACTERS

!	Expander	=	<i>tax!</i> = taxation, taxed, taxable, taxing
*	Wild Card	=	<i>wom*n</i> = woman, women

TOP 5 CONNECTORS

AND: to find BOTH terms in the document

- ***ten commandment and war memorial*** will retrieve documents where both terms appear, but not necessarily close together

OR: to find synonyms or alternative terms

- ***war memorial or tribute*** will retrieve documents where any of the synonyms or alternative terms appear

w/#, w/s, w/p: to find the terms in a closer proximity

- ***ten commandment w/20 war memorial*** to retrieve documents where ***ten commandment(s)*** appears within 20 words to the right or left of the phrase ***war memorial***

ADVANCED TERMS & CONNECTORS

PRE/N: preceded by n words

- To find documents in which the first search term precedes the second by not more than the stated number of words. As with W/N both words must be in the same segment.

NOT W/P: not within paragraph

- To find documents in which at least one occurrence of the first term appears in a paragraph that does not contain the second term. The second term need not be in the document at all; but if it is, all occurrences of the second term must be in different paragraphs than at least one occurrence of the first term.

W/SEG: within segment

- To find documents in which both of your search terms appear within the same segment.

NOT W/SEG: not within segment

- To find documents that have at least one segment in which the first search term appears, but not the other search term.

NOT W/S: not within sentence

- To find documents in which at least one occurrence of the first term appears in a sentence that does not contain the second term. The second term need not be in the document at all; but if it is, all occurrences of the second term must be in different sentences than at least one occurrence of the second term.

ATLEAST: at least N

- To find documents in which a certain term appears at least a certain number of times in the document. Use ATLEAST when you want documents that contain an in-depth discussion of a topic rather than just a single mention.

ANDNOT: and not N

- To find documents in which a certain term does not appear. This must be used at the end of a search as all terms following it will be excluded from the search results.

ALLCAPS: To find terms in which all letters are capitalized.

CAPS: To find terms in which capital letters appear anywhere in the term.

NOCAPS: To find terms in which none of the letters are capitalized.

PLURAL: To find only the plural form of a term – without this, singular, plural, and possessive forms of a term are found.

SINGULAR: To find only the singular form of a term – without this, singular, plural and possessive forms of a term are found.