

## Web-Unit “Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?”

### Using the Internet for Research

Using the Internet to help you with your research will give you a lot of information – often more than you can possibly read. How can you decide, quickly and efficiently, which material is worth looking at more closely?

#### 1. Listing Keywords

- Before you start searching the Internet make a list of keywords that you would expect to find in articles about your subject. For example, if your subject was “**Aborigines in Australia before the white settlers came**”, what important words would you expect to find? Make a list.
- Look at your list of keywords. Which ones are too general, so that they might come up in articles that have nothing to do with your topic? Which ones are more specific and good keywords to search for?
- If you have only **one keyword**, all you have to do is all you need to do is type in the field provided. Then click on the "Find" button or press **Enter** on your keyboard.
- If you have more than **one keyword** you can use the word "**AND**" to find sites that match two or more search words: (or +). Example: +Aborigine +Australia.

#### 2. Using online encyclopedias and search engines

- Try to find a search engine you like and use it often. That way you will know how to use it and where to look for the important information in the search results.

**Worksheet No 2: Research Table**

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Fill in this research table:

Question	Answer	Search Engine(s) I used	URL	Which keywords did you try?	How many sites were listed?	How many clicks did you need?
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2						
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- 1) Compare ‘your’ sites with your neighbour’s.
- 2) Decide on the best site.
- 3) Why is it ‘best’ in your opinion?
- 4) Which keywords did you use?
- 5) Which search engine(s) did you use?
- 6) Now tell your class/group how you searched for the information.