

Finding Information on the Web

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1 Administrivia

Announcements

Assignment

Read 6.4–6.6. Online quiz. Questions on pg. 361: 8–12.

From Last Time

Wrapped-up online security.

Outline

1. Introduction.
2. Lab.
3. Quiz.

Coming Up

Evaluating Internet information.

2 Introduction

1. Everyone knows about Yahoo and Google. What else is there?
2. Use the proper tool for the job:
 - (a) Explorer questions: Subject tree or clearinghouse.
 - (b) Deep thought questions: Subject tree or specialized search engine.
 - (c) Joe Friday: Subject tree or general search engine.

May have to ask more than one question and/or “re-phrase” your questions.

3. Examples:
 - (a) Subject trees: Yahoo, About.com, Looksmart.com.
 - (b) Clearinghouses: Internet Public Library (www.ipl.org), Privacy Rights Clearinghouse (www.privacyrights.org), Science, Mathematics, and Environmental Education (www.ericse.org).
 - (c) Specialized search engines: Froogle, MedHunt (www.hon.ch/MedHunt), Search-Gov.com.
 - (d) General search engines: Google, Ask, AllTheWeb.
4. Meta search engines.

3 Lab

Refer to handout.