

# Stafflink Boolean Search Cheat Sheet, Revised

Operator	How It Works	Example
<b>Search for more than one keyword</b>  AND (or a space)	To search for two or more words list each word followed by a space. Putting AND between the words is optional.	"engineer developer" <i>produces the same results as "engineer AND developer"</i>
<b>Search for either word but not both</b>  OR	Use OR to find pages that may have just one of several words in a phrase. OR must be capitalized.	"java developer" OR "java programmer"
<b>Search for an exact phrase</b>  "exact phrase"	Surround a phrase with quotation marks to search for that exact phrase.	"senior software engineer"
<b>Exclude a word</b>  -job -jobs	Put a - (minus sign) before a word to exclude results containing that word.	-job -jobs <i>will exclude jobs from the results</i>
<b>Search within a site or domain</b>  :site	Get results only from one site or domain.	"java developer" site:twitter.com
<b>Search within a webpage title or url</b>  :intitle :inurl	Get results that contain a certain word in the page title or the page URL.	(intitle:resume OR inurl:resume) <i>will return resumes</i>
<b>Wildcard - fill in a missing word</b>  *	Use an asterisk as a placeholder for unknown terms or letters.  Use * with other words withing quotation marks to find variations of that phrase.  Use * within a word to search for that word with different endings.	"java * programmer" <i>produces results for <b>java programmer/developer and java/j2ee developer.</b></i>  financ* <i>produces results for <b>financial, finance, finances</b></i>
<b>Build complex strings with brackets ( )</b>	Use brackets with quotation marks to build complex searches with multiple search strings.	("Program Manager" OR "IT Director") AND (IBM OR Oracle OR "Red Hat" OR Microsoft)