

# Useful Websites

For The Reference Librarian

## NEWS

<http://www.alternet.org/>

Project of the Independent Media Institute, a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening and supporting independent and alternative journalism.

<http://www.fark.com/>

For a non-profit look at odd and unique news check out Fark. Some links might not be BYU approved, but these are usually indicated.

<http://www.worldpress.org/>

World Press Review gathers headline stories from news media all over the world and translates them into English.

<http://worldnews.com/>

Nearly organized directory to national and international online newspapers.

<http://www.crayon.net/>

Set up your free account and create your own newspaper.

Choose only those news sources you want.

## SEARCHING

[www.invisibleweb.com](http://www.invisibleweb.com)

Searches the sites behind the sites

<http://lii.org/>

Librarian's Index to the Internet. Directory to internet Web sites.

<http://citeseer.nj.nec.com/cs>

Searches for citations of documents and the citations they contain.

<http://www.alltheweb.com/>

When Google isn't finding it for you try alltheweb.com.

<http://searchpdf.adobe.com/>

Searches PDF files.

<http://ixquick.com/>

Meta-search engine with lots of power. Understands Boolean operators and natural language.

<http://surfwax.com/>

Another great meta-search engine. Interface uses two frames once results are found.

What to do  
when web searching  
isn't working ...



## INFORMATION

<http://www.refdesk.com/>

Very crowded interface, but packed with lots of good information from almanacs to encyclopedias to more.

<http://www.ipl.org/>

The Internet Public Library. A lot like Refdesk.com, but with a better interface.

<http://www.whois.org> To find out who owns the site your search engine retrieved for you, turn to \ 'hols site such as [www.whois.sc](http://www.whois.sc) or [www.whois.org](http://www.whois.org).

## MISC

<http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/>  
UC Berkeley's Instruction to the Internet

[http:// searchenginewatch.com/](http://searchenginewatch.com/)

Everything you have wanted to know about search engines and how to use them. Updated regularly.

FUN <http://www.allmusic.com/>

What the imdb is for movies this is for music

<http://www.imdb.com/>

This site remains the ultimate source for movie and movie star information.

<http://www.appliance411.com/>

Major appliance questions are answered here.