

Keyword Search Guide

When doing searches and creating search strings and filters in Wide Narrow, you may benefit from using the tips in this guide.

Boolean operator OR

The Boolean operator OR is commonly used in Wide Narrow

Milk OR Egg will give you all posts containing Milk *or* Egg keywords.

Boolean operator AND

Boolean operator AND is commonly used in Wide Narrow

Milk AND Egg will give you all posts containing Milk related to Egg (for example, a recipe for crepes)

Citation Quotes

Use citation quotes (" ") to get an expression:

"Lactose-free milk" OR "Fresh Egg"

Attention! All citation quotes (" ") must be the straight ones used in WordPad/Notepad. It is a best practice to work in a Notepad program and then copies the work into Wide Narrow when creating long search strings.

Parenthesis

We recommend using parentheses when it becomes complex with AND, in the same manner as in a math formula:

((("Lactose-free milk" OR water) AND (Egg))

Even go wild:

((("Lactose-free milk" OR water) AND (Egg)) OR ((milk OR water) AND (Flour)))

Even wilder with two words:

((milk OR water) AND (Egg)) OR ((Sugar OR Yeast) AND (Flour))

Easy to get confused, right? Work in a Notepad program and copy your filter into Wide Narrow when creating long search strings. <https://notepad-plus-plus.org/>

Truncations

Truncations only work in the **post**-direction. You write influen* to get influent, influence, influences, etc.

Attention! * Truncations do not work in the pre-direction, for example, *day for today.

Proximities

Proximities is an interesting feature as you can catch words BETWEEN your keywords. Proximities must be written like "near end"~4 (meaning, in this case, max four words apart).

Example:

"milk egg"~3 will give you posts with a sentence like *Mix now your milk with your egg*.

More developed example:

[("milk egg"~3) AND (recipe)**]** will give you posts like *Mix now your milk with your egg for this recipe*.

Boolean Operator NOT

You can also use the Boolean operator NOT to avoid some topics or reduce your feed.

Write only:

NOT(milk)

More developed:

NOT(milk OR egg OR flour)

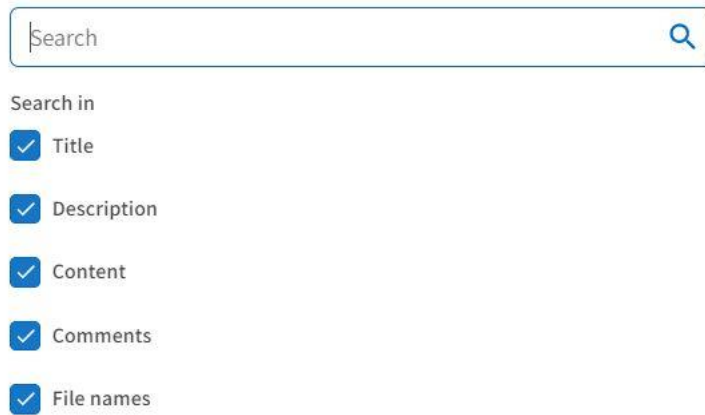
Or even:

NOT((milk) AND (Egg))

The sky is the limit!

Wide or Narrow Queries

When using the Wide Narrow free text search bar, you can select how wide or narrow queries you want to make. Click the Search bar to show the Search in options.



The screenshot shows a search bar with the placeholder text "Search" and a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar, the text "Search in" is followed by a list of five options, each with a checked checkbox:

- ☒ Title
- ☒ Description
- ☒ Content
- ☒ Comments
- ☒ File names

If you just tick Title, you get a narrow search. You get a broad search by ticking all the choices (title, description, content, comments, and file names).

Save a search string

To save a brilliant search string you created, scroll down to the end of the Filter menu and click **Save Search**. Select **Personal** if only you should be able to see your search string. Select **Shared** if you want other users to be able to use your search string as well.

Online Reference

Visit this page to learn more about using search operators:

https://lucene.apache.org/core/2_9_4/queryparsersyntax.html