Computers and Electronic Resources

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Introductions

Tell us about yourself! What is your name? Where do you work? What is your job title?

Feel free to share a little about your learning goals for this class or some details to help us get to know you a little better.



Class Objectives

- Use an e-resource to perform an effective search
- Perform basic troubleshooting on library computers
- Analyze search engine results



E-Resources



Basic Searches

Good or Bad?

- Good morning, Google. Please tell me if the painter, sculptor, and inventor Leonardo DaVinci owned any pets. Thank you!
- Cat fish
- Glass repair shops Oklahoma



Advanced Searching Online

To get more relevant search results, utilize:

- Filters
- Boolean operators



EBSCO Databases & Digital Prairie

https://digitalprairieok.net/discover/





EBSCO Searching

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EBSCO Scavenger Hunt

Locate your EBSCO database on Digital Prairie and complete the scavenger hunt to learn how to navigate EBSCO



Troubleshooting



Troubleshooting Detective Work

- Identify and specifically define the problem
- Try to reproduce the issue
- Notice when the problem occurred
- Search for a solution and test it



Basic Troubleshooting Solutions

- Restarting
- Inspect cables
- Verify settings
- Check for updates
- Task manager/force stop
- Clear cache
- Uninstall/reinstall



Troubleshooting Practice

During lunch, an unsupervised poltergeist snuck in and messed with all your computers! Practice your troubleshooting skills to get them all working properly again. Don't be afraid to ask your neighbors for help.



More Practice

- Scenario 1: Two students come in needing to print some pictures for a school presentation tomorrow. They found the perfect pictures on the library's public computer, but say that they are unable to get them to print.
- Scenario 2: A customer is trying to watch a video on one of the public computers, but they are not getting any audio through their headphones.
- Scenario 3: The wireless keyboard on your staff computer has stopped working. You thought that the batteries might be dead, so you replaced them. However, it is still not fixed.

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Digital Literacy



Evaluating Websites CRAAP criteria

- Currency
- Relevance
- Authority
- Accuracy
- Purpose



Evaluating Websites

Example Website 1
Example Website 2

- Fake or real?
- On what are you basing your decision?



Algorithms in Searching

- Search engines collection information to prioritize your search results based on your:
 - Search/browser history
 - Location
 - Language
 - Device
 - Personal information



Internet Safety

- Phishing Emails or messages pretending to be from a credible person/organization that ask for personal information or money
- Viruses Malicious code that replicates itself and changes how the computer/program works
- Malware Software specifically designed to gain access or damage a computer system



Predictive Text Game

- I think that we should all...
- I wonder when humanity
- It smells a bit like
- Twenty-four hours is not enough time to
- Okay, here's the thing:



Class Evaluation



bit.ly/CERfy23



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- 3. Fill out the form and upload a picture of your certificate



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