
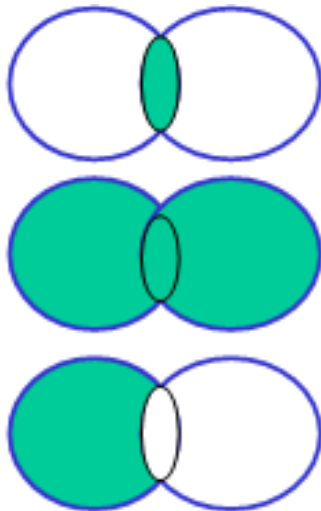


# BASIC SEARCH TIPS AND TECHNIQUES: GALE DATABASES

GALE databases use common Boolean operators such as the three connecting words seen below. These “operator search” words allow a researcher to include or exclude subject/topic-type words in a text box search that will instruct the search engine to retrieve more relevant search results.

## Boolean Searching

NOTE: Each  represents a concept that has been translated into a word/term.



<b>AND</b> narrows	each item retrieved will include both terms ex: <i>children and bilingualism</i>
<b>OR</b> expands	each item retrieved will include EITHER or both terms ex: <i>motherese or baby talk</i>
<b>NOT</b> excludes	each item retrieved will include 1 <sup>st</sup> set of terms only ex: <i>preschoolers but not toddlers</i>

Try using the **And – Or – Not** Boolean operators with the drop down boxes. Two exs.:

Advanced Search

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