Sample Searches:
Safari™ Tech Books Online

Please note that the content of your institution’s subscription to Safari™ Books Online will most likely have been tailored to the specific needs of your institution. Therefore some or even all of the search examples shown below might not return results for. Please feel free contact us, if you need help with a specific query.

1. You would like to find books mentioning Ruby on Rails and AJAX in the same sentence
   - Use the **Quick Search** in the left search bar of Safari™ Books Online
   - From the dropdown list select **Entire Book**
   - As search query enter:  *ajax NEAR “ruby on rails”*
   - Click **Go**.

**Search Explained:**
The NEAR operator defines that our search terms must appear in the same sentence. The use of quotation marks around ruby on rails ensures that we are searching these three words as a phrase.

2. You would like to find out how to score a movie created in iMovie 08 using Apple’s Garageband application
   - Use the **Quick Search** in the left search bar of Safari™ Books Online
   - From the dropdown list select **Entire Book**
   - As search query enter:  *“imovie 08” score “garageband”*
   - Click **Go**

**Search Explained:**
In this search we didn’t make use of any explicit Boolean operators, letting Safari™ act on its standard approach to searching. Firstly Safari™ will attempt to stem all the words and will then search for these words in a section. It will then look for combinations of the words in the book text. Our use of quotation marks around *iMovie 08* and garageband will ensure that no stemming will be applied and the exact phrase will be returned. The search term score will be stemmed will also retrieve relevant hits for scoring.

3. You would like to find all books on Unix operating systems (Advanced Search)
   - Click on Advanced Search underneath the Quick Search box in the left search bar of Safari™ Books Online
   - In the search for box enter *unix*, you can leave “with all of these words” and “full-text” selected underneath
   - Select Operating Systems from the categories drop down list
   - Click on Search
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4. Continuing on from Search # 3 you would like to narrow your result sets further
   • In the left search bar notice how your results have been listed by categories
   • Click on the entry for operating systems to expand it
   • Select the Unix sub-category
   • Notice that there are several further sub-categories, e.g. administration for you to select

5. Continuing on from Search #3 you would like to narrow your results further by ensuring that you only see books mentioning X11 in the section title.
   • Notice that above your results there is a further search box, which contains a description of its purpose “Add Term(s) to Narrow Your Search”.
   • In that search box enter X11 and select section titles from the drop down box
   • Now click on Search within Results

Search Explained:

#3 – all individual fields will automatically be combined with a Boolean AND. Underneath the search for box in advance search unexperienced users can easily select a Boolean Operator without having to enter it. “with all of these words” will use a AND operator, “with exactly this phrase” will place quotation marks around the phrase entered, “with at least one of these words” will apply an OR operator between the terms

#4 – no matter whether you select Quick Search or Advanced Search, Safari™ will always display your results by categories. Especially when you have found a large result set, they can be tremendously helpful in narrowing down your choices.

#5 – this search function lets you add terms to your search step by step, until you have found a book of relevance. A “breadcrumb trail” allows you to go back one or several steps, if needed.

6. You would like to find books on network security
   • Look for the categories section in the left search bar of Safari™ Books Online – if you have already done a search, click Home first.
   • If your institution subscribes to both Safari™ Tech Books Online and Safari™ Business Books Online now click on Safari IT Books
   • Select the networking category, by clicking on it
   • Now browse the list of sub categories until you find security, click to expand and browse through your results

Search Explained:

In this search we’ve used the browse feature of Safari™ Books Online. Each book is assigned one or two top level categories and up to four sub-categories
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