Why should I use library databases instead of searching on the Internet?

**Internet**

Free (sometimes payment required)

Reliability not known

Authorship unclear

Scholarship varies

Little organization

Wide range of audience

Partially indexed (random word search)

Limited search capability

**Database**

Subscription (paid by library some academic & gov free)

Reliable data

Authors known (w/credentials)

Scholarly (from academic journals)

Fully organized

Student/faculty audience

Fully indexed (with controlled vocabulary/subject headings)

Detailed limiters and use of Boolean operators

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