**Discussion**

- What I do and how I can help
- What kinds of research projects did you have to do in high school?
- What research tools did you use in high school?
- How do you think college-level research will be different from high school-level research?
- What do you struggle with when it comes to research?
SEARCH TOOLS

ACTIVITY

1. Break into groups.


3. Open Google and your assigned search tool. Examine the similarities and differences between Google and your assigned search tool.

UNDERSTANDING SEARCH TOOLS

Google
Google indexes web pages. Google is a great place to start your research to get to know your topic a little better. Check out newspaper websites, magazine websites, Wikipedia, and more.

Academic Search Complete
Easy to use, general database that can help you explore your topic and find full-text articles.

Library Catalog
Find books and articles that are hidden from Google in the Library Catalog.

Google Scholar
Google’s scholarly portal, with some full-text access to scholarly, peer-reviewed articles.

Links to full-text scholarly articles available in Loyola Libraries databases.

Subject Databases
Books
E-books
Videos
Some newspaper and magazine content is available for free from Google. Eventually, you hit a pay wall.
THINGS TO CONSIDER

Be prepared to present your findings and discuss after you explore your search tool.

- Ideas for comparing: write lists, use columns or create a venn diagram
- What types of resources are available in each search tool?
- How can you tell if the sources are credible? Do you see any bias in the results?
- How can you search? What options are available to refine your search?
- How can you use each search tool in research projects for college?
WRAP UP

UCWR Research Guide
Topic Selection
How to Get Help
Next Session
Questions?
Comments?

THANK YOU!