



# Searching Web Site Categories and Domains



In this activity, you will use a search engine to search for Web sites with specific domain suffixes to determine the purpose and type of information contained in the site.

1. Using the Google search engine, search the name of your state.
2. Examine the domain names and suffixes of the search results. Then complete the following:
  - a. List the domain suffixes returned in the first page of the search results.
  - b. Which domain suffix had the most results?
3. Repeat the search using the name of your state followed by site:.gov (such as Florida site:.gov).
4. Examine the domain names and suffixes in the displayed search results.
5. Explore the first three Web sites listed. Then answer the following questions for each site:
  - a. What is the purpose of the Web site?
  - b. What type of information does the site provide?
  - c. Does the domain name provide a clue to the purpose of the Web site?
  - d. Does the domain suffix accurately represent the Web site's content?
6. Repeat Steps 3 through 5 using the .com suffix (such as Florida site:.com).
7. Repeat Steps 3 through 5 using the .us suffix (such as Florida site:.us).