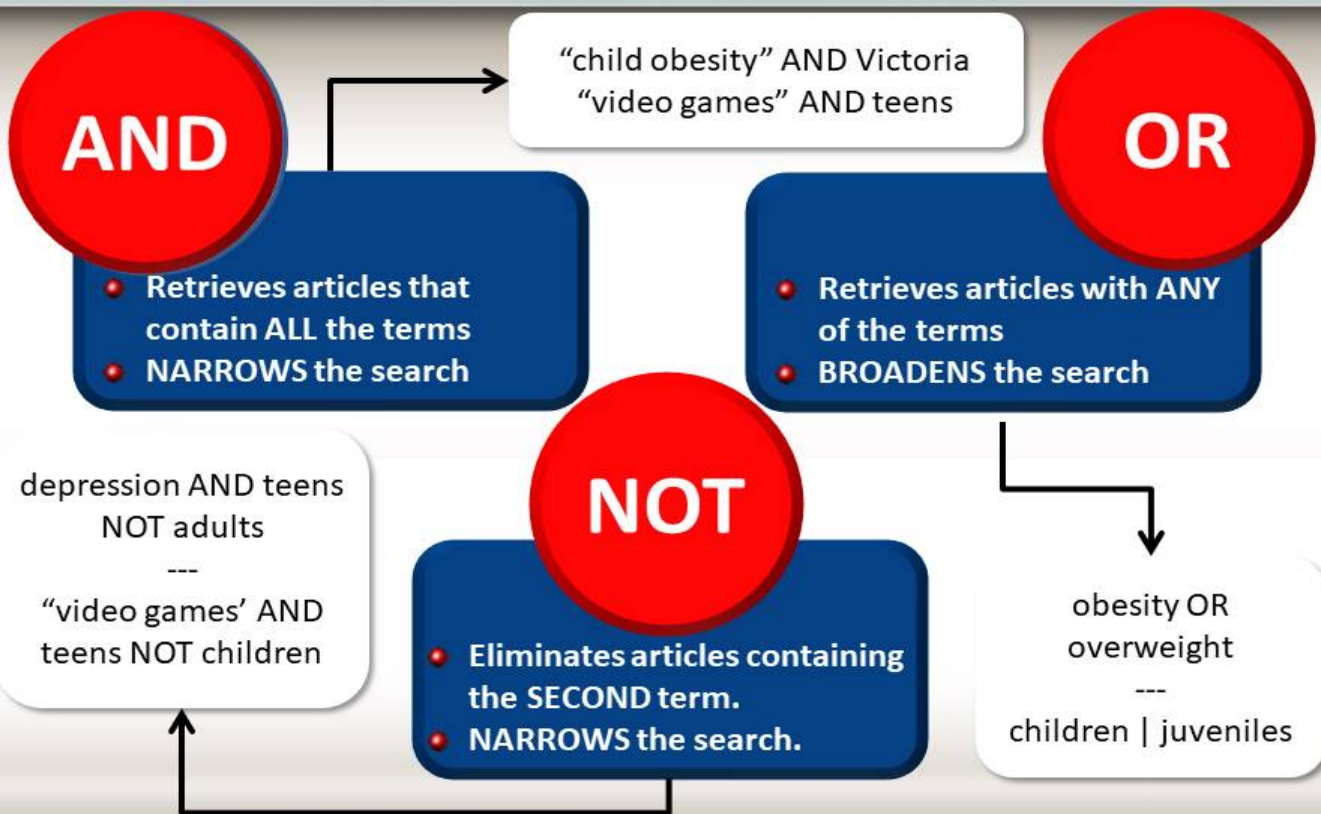
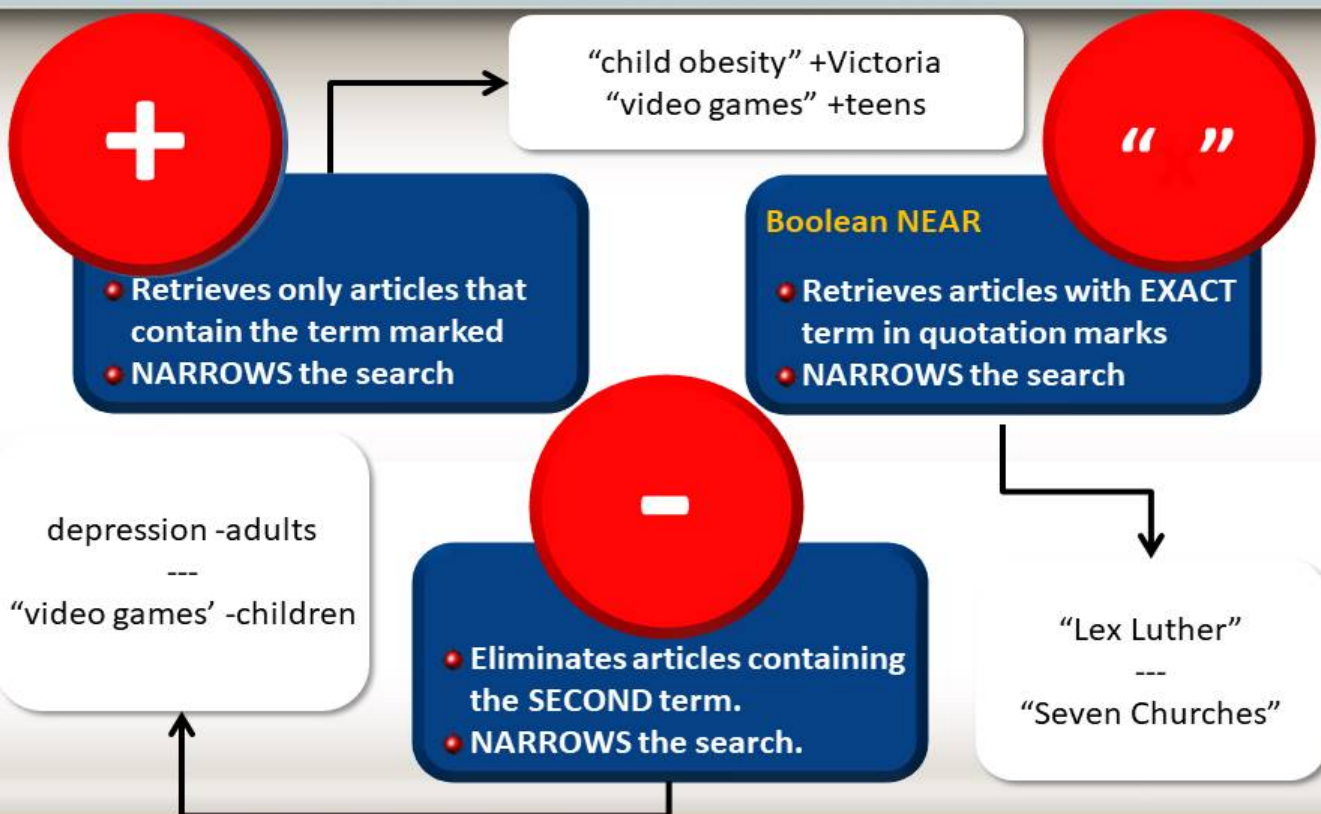


## Use Boolean operators



## Other search techniques



# Exercise: Refine searches

During this period, experiment with using Boolean and other search techniques to help find information on your ancestors.

1. For a relative that you know a lot about (e.g., name, birthdate, hometown, school attended, etc.):

1. Search by SURNAME only. Record number of hits: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Search by SURNAME +FIRSTNAME. Hits: \_\_\_\_\_
3. SURNAME +FIRSTNAME +COUNTRY Hits: \_\_\_\_\_
4. As above but put in some NOT or – entries: Hits: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Use a similar approach to search for a relative that you don't have full information on. Try to complete the following:

| Name | Year born | Year died | Partner | Mother's Maiden |
|------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------------|
|      |           |           |         |                 |

## And a few more that may be useful

|                         |                 |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Convert currency        | <b>in</b>       | australian dollar in us dollar   |
| Definition search       | <b>define:</b>  | Define:boolean   |
| Synonym search          | <b>~</b>        | When you put a tilde ~ in front of your search term, the search engine looks for both your chosen search term and synonyms |
| Number range Searches   | <b>..</b>       | Perform numrange search on any sequential set of numbers by typing two periods between the numbers without any spaces.     |
| Partial title search    | <b>intitle:</b> | find webpages where one or more words appear in the title of the page. Example is: intitle:U3A family genealogy            |
| Search within a website | <b>site:</b>    | Restrict your search to find only results within a single website. Examples: site:b4uc.xyz "research genealogy"            |

Some of these searches may be specific to Google.