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# Video: „Why can't I just google?“

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**Link:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N39mnu1Pkgw>

# Review

This cartoon video is staged as a dialogue between two students. One explains the other one why using Google or Wikipedia for assignments is unacceptable and where he can get help or other information for an advanced research. The basic message is that you should focus on scientific key papers that can be found in databases provided by the library. In contrast most web sites found by using Google are not scholarly enough and the provided information does not meet the required standards in your study programme. At the same time, it is shown how you can search and find reliable material.

# Target Group Recommendation

The content of the video is especially relevant for beginners. It suits best a self-study or accompanied setting in class. The video addresses common behaviour and misperceptions of students and thus an important aspect of plagiarism.

Some might perceive the explaining character as a bit moralising, also the concept of binge-drinking can be alien to students in other countries. The australian accent may be difficult to understand, also due to low volume level.