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Tips for Finding Graphics/Images on the Internet

- "Keywords" - Before going "online", jot down some keywords about the topic that you are researching. Remember, the better you pick your keywords, the better the search results will be!
- Use "quotation marks" around an exact phrase or group of words. This will narrow (refine) your results, save you some time, and increase the chance that the first few search results will be what you were looking for (relevant).
- "Try several different search tools" - Search tools work differently. No single tool can index the Web completely.

A Few Resources to Check

For graphics/images to use in classroom projects and presentations

The Associated Press Multimedia Archives - Access to this archive of over 50 million images and other electronic media is available from any Plano ISD networked computer, via "Remote Access", or through a "MyPisd" account. Check their [Image Use Policy](#) for more details on usage.

<http://apimages.ap.org/unsecured/logip.aspx>

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<http://www.pics4learning.com>

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<http://school.discovery.com/clipart/>

freephoto.com - For resources and information on Royalty free images and Photo library (Check the "Image Use" per site chosen).

<http://freephoto.com>

UC Berkeley's "Image Finder" - A searchable images index, including image sources such as NASA, US Library of Congress, and the Smithsonian. Check each source site for their image use policy.

<http://sunsite.berkeley.edu/ImageFinder/>

Looking for animal pictures? Try one of these.

U.S. Fish & Wildlife - Online collection of public domain still photographs. The National Image Library contains still photo images of wildlife, plants, National Wildlife Refuges and other scenics, as well as wildlife management work.

<http://images.fws.gov/>