Just Enough SEO (Search Engine Optimization)

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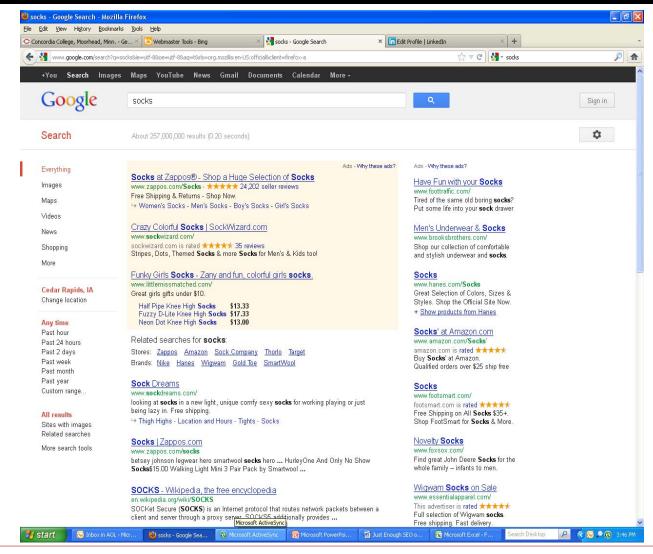
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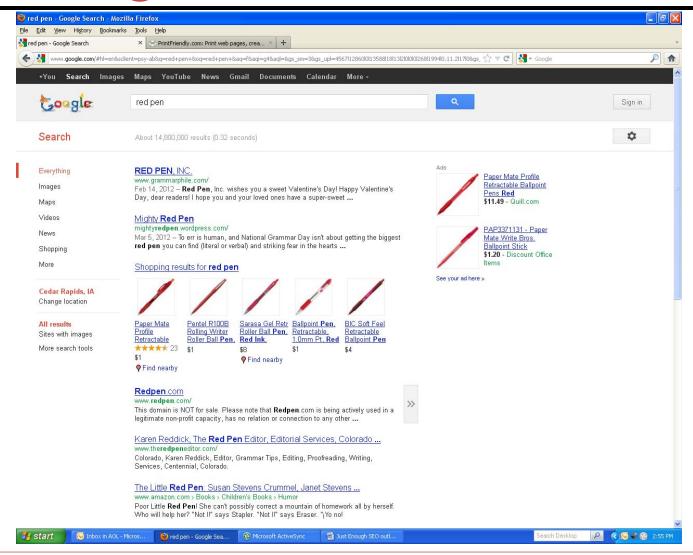
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- What is SEO?
 - Search Engine Optimization
- What is optimization?
 - Designing your web pages for optimum treatment by search engines
 - Organic search
 - No effect on paid search/ads

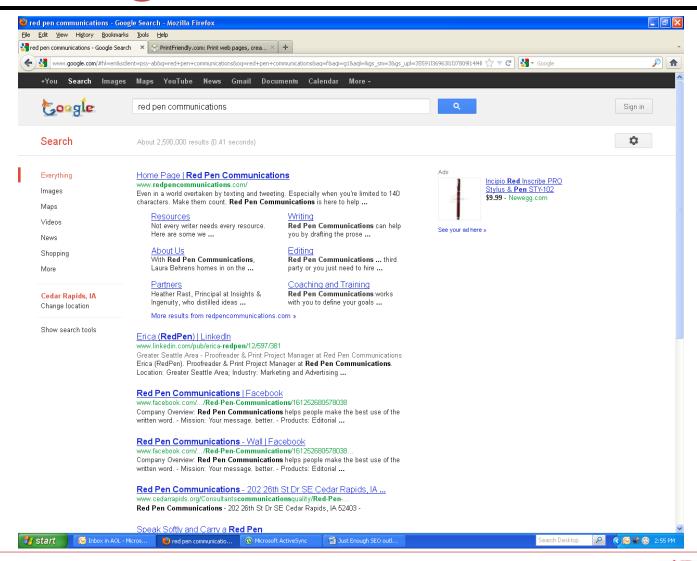






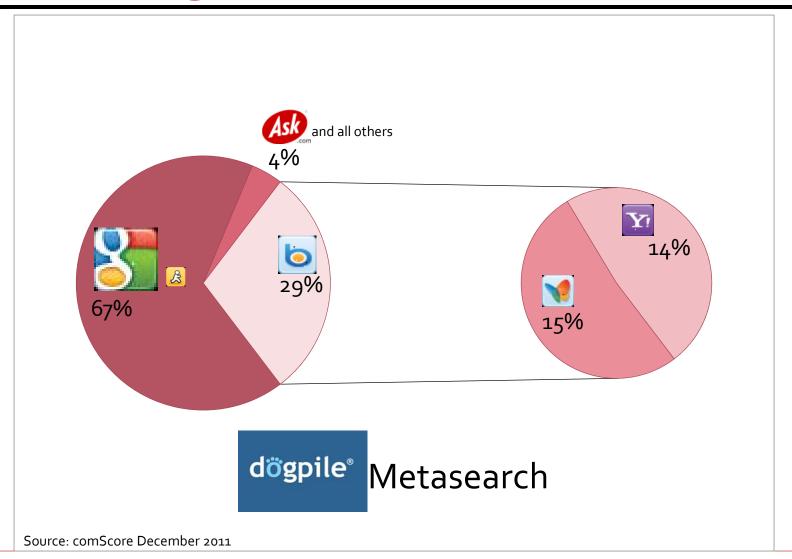








Search engines





What is a spider/crawler and what is it looking for?

- Good content for humans
 - Text—search engines do not search images
 - Clean, clear language
 - Headings, subheadings, layout
 - Error-free—mistakes can count against you in rankings
 - Regularly refreshed
 - Keywords—what words and ideas are important to your users?
 - Social media links—





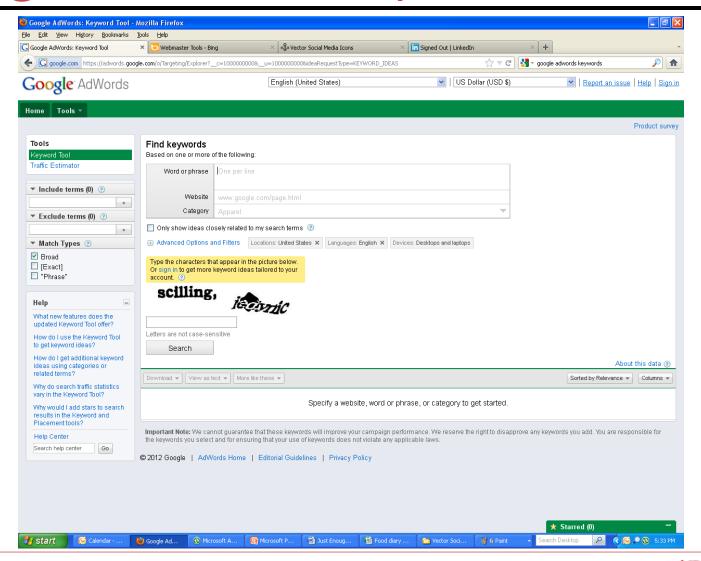




In sum: write good copy, attractively displayed, about things your audience cares about, and make sure they can find it.



Google AdWords Keyword Tool

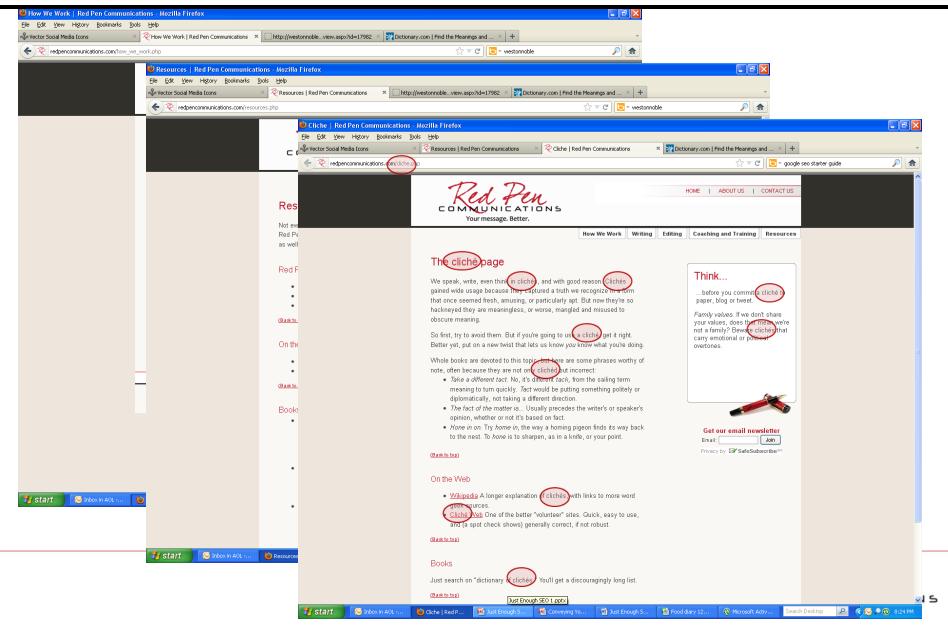




Good content for spiders

- Notified/verified
 - Website
 - Mobile sites
- Keywords—Google AdWords Keyword Tool
- Links
 - Meaningful anchor text
 - Links that stand out on the page (often default)
- Better URLs
 - Meaningful words—not http://YourUrl.org/pageview.aspx?id=17982
 - Simple directory structure

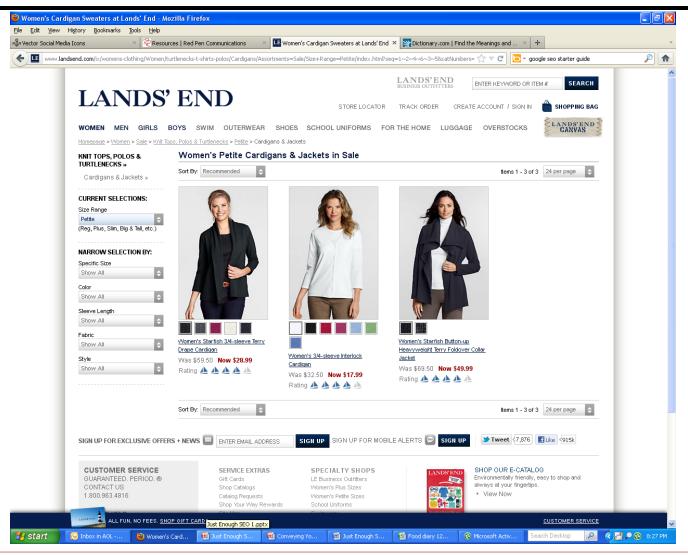




More good content for spiders

- Better navigation
 - Breadcrumbs
 - Mostly text







More good content for spiders

- Unique, accurate page titles (title tags)
- Add descriptions for images
- "Description" metatags for every page

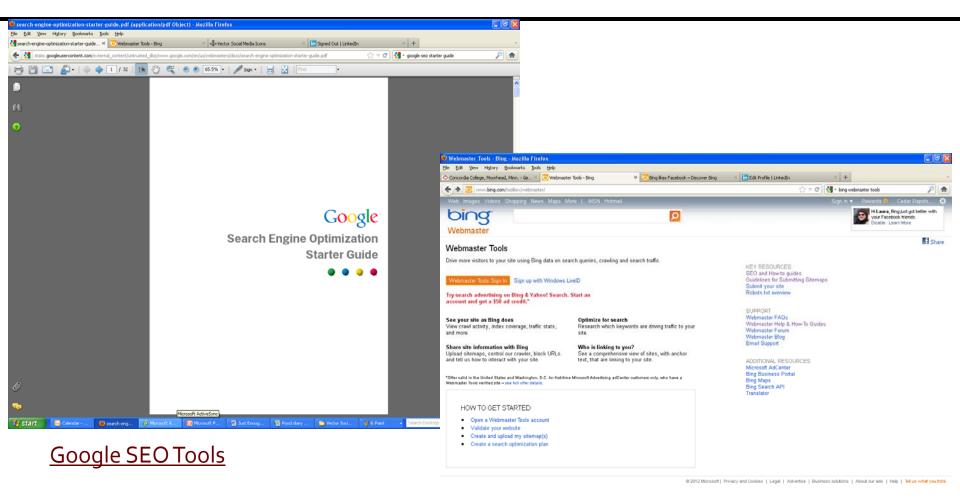


Your next steps

- Remember your goals
- Actions



Resources



Bing Webmaster Tools



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Resources

- Resources tab at <u>Red Pen Communications</u>
- More like this:
 Kirkwood Continuing Education
 - Writing for the Web—March 26
 - Crafting Effective Email—April 9
 - Tailoring Your Message for the Channel—April 23

Questions?

Thank you!

