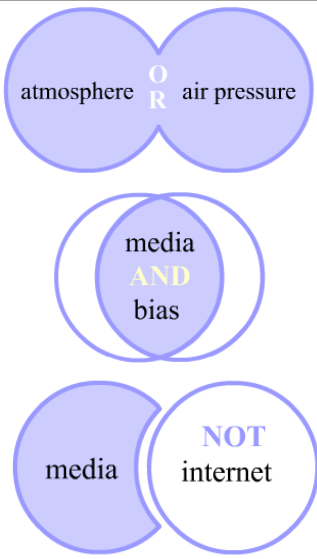
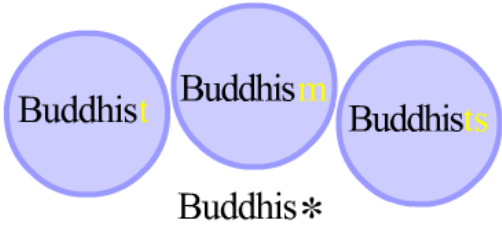
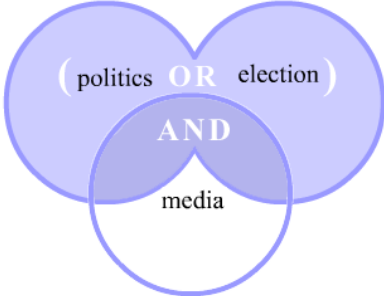




## Database Search Strategies

Most databases don't understand the natural language we speak and need help understanding what we're looking for. For this, they require a special set of **conventions**, including:

Convention	Function	Search Strategy	
Quotation marks	<i>Narrowing</i>	Around <u>exact</u> phrases (e.g. "basset hound club of America")	
Logical or Boolean operators	<p><i>Broadening</i></p>  <p><i>Narrowing</i></p>	<p>Connecting words that narrow or broaden a search to include only what you need. Examples: <b>OR, AND, NOT</b></p>	
Wildcards & truncation symbols (* # ? !)	<i>Broadening</i>		<p><i>child*</i> for child, children, childhood, childish, etc.</p>
Nesting	<i>Combining</i>		<p>Placing terms in parentheses to indicate separate units. Like a mathematical equation, (A or B) not C</p>