

What is Google News?

The screenshot displays the Google News interface. At the top left, there are dropdown menus for "U.S. edition" and "Modern". A navigation sidebar on the left lists categories such as "Top Stories", "Mitt Romney", "Amanda Bynes", "BAE Systems", "Derrick Rose", "Dwyane Wade", "Large Hadron Collider", "Mobile Industry", "Muhammad Ali", "Hezbollah", "Stephen Strasburg", "Toledo, OH", "World", "U.S.", "Business", "Elections", "Technology", "Entertainment", "Sports", "Science", "Health", and "Spotlight".

The main content area features a "Top Stories" section with a large article titled "Fed Undertakes QE3 With \$40 Billion MBS Purchases Per Month" from the San Francisco Chronicle, dated 3 hours ago. Below this, there are several smaller news items with thumbnails and titles, including "More protests break out in Muslim world as US appeals for calm", "Suspect Identified in Central Park Daytime Rape", "Amid Chicago teachers strike, some parents mull private, charter schools", and "Beyonce, Jay-Z to raise money for Obama".

On the right side, there is a "Toledo, OH" location selector, an "Editors' Picks" section featuring a "REUTERS" logo, and a "Spotlight" section with a link to "Father's note changes family's 9/11 account".

What does it do?

Organizes news stories according to user settings. Google News can be viewed without logging in, but cannot be personalized unless user is logged in. Users can set up location, news subject, and news sources (among other things).



Why is this helpful?

Google news is also a good place to find references for papers/projects and it can be personalized to fit each individual's needs.

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