



# Improved Results using Needlebot's User Profiles Tool (User Profile: Crime)

## **Example 5a: User seeks hits related to the Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski**

All 49 hits in the database are initially returned when a simply keyword search is performed for the term "Theodore" but only 1 hit on the first page was related to the Unabomber. However, when the "Crime" User Profile was selected, all 7 highly relevant documents in the database appeared on the first page

Database: **Reuters 1996**

Keywords Searched: **Theodore**

Selected User Profile: **Crime**

1 - article id: 100101 - high rank: 48

Reuters Topics: **GOVERNMENT/SOCIAL; CRIME, LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**USA: U.S. High Court denies Unabomber suspects appeal.**

WASHINGTON 1996-10-07The Supreme Court Monday rejected an appeal by accused Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski seeking to prevent the Justice Department from prosecuting him because of government leaks to the news media. Kaczynski, who has been charged in a number of the mail bombings attributed to the so-called Unabomber because universities and airlines were the first targets, also asked the justices to order a lower-court hearing to go over the evidence supporting his claims. But without comment or dissent, the high court denied the appeal by the former mathematics professor turned recluse who was arrested in April at his remote Montana cabin. In his Supreme Court appeal, Kaczynski claimed the leaks poisoned the entire population of grand jurors within the United States against him. A Justice Department prosecutor told a court hearing in California last month that Kaczynski, 54, kept detailed journals in which he admitted each of the 16 bombings since 1978 that killed three people and injured 23 others. On June 18, a federal grand jury in Sacramento, California returned a 10-count indictment against Kaczynski charging him with four separate bomb attacks that killed two persons and injured two others. Kaczynski has pleaded not guilty to those charges, which carry a maximum sentence of the death penalty. Later in June, the Justice Department announced that four new indictments had been unsealed charging Kaczynski in three more bombings in Utah, Tennessee and Michigan in the 1980s. In October, Kaczynski was charged with the 1994 mail bomb attack that killed advertising executive Thomas Mosser at his home in New Jersey. Justice Department prosecutors plan to go forward first with the Sacramento case, although a trial date has yet to be set. Kaczynski remains in jail without bond. The Supreme Court's rejection of Kaczynski's appeal marked the third time he has lost on those arguments. U.S. District Judge Charles Lovell in Montana had rejected Kaczynski's claims that his chances of setting a fair trial had been hurt by the spate of government leaks to the media during the search of his cabin. Then a federal appeals court in California denied Kaczynski's appeal. The Justice Department urged the Supreme Court to turn down the appeal, saying review was not warranted on procedural and substantive grounds. Department lawyers said Kaczynski's claims lacked merit and added that he cannot establish that he was prejudiced by the disclosures. They said Kaczynski's requested remedy would be too drastic, barring all prosecution against him. Among the items found in Kaczynski's cabin were an original copy of the Unabomber's rambling anti-technology manifesto, a typewriter used to write it, a bomb, a partially completed bomb and bomb making parts, FBI officials have said.

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2 - article id: 46670 - high rank: 2

Reuters Topics: **GOVERNMENT/SOCIAL; CRIME, LAW ENFORCEMENT; WAR, CIVIL WAR**

**USA: Alleged Unabombers family wanted him committed.**

NEW YORK 1996-09-11The family of alleged Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski was so concerned about his mental state in 1991 that they tried to get him committed to a mental hospital, his brother and sister-in-law said in their first television interview. In the interview to be aired on Sunday on CBS's 60 Minutes, David Kaczynski, who turned his brother in to the FBI in April, said he and his wife, Linda Patrik, failed because it is extremely difficult to have someone committed. The couple added they knew nothing at the time about a link between Theodore Kaczynski and the Unabomber, who in a 17-year letter bombing campaign killed three people and injured 23 others in a self-declared war against technology. Patrik said she and her husband went to a psychiatrist who advised us that Ted was mentally disturbed, seriously disturbed -- that not only was he disturbed but that there was the possibility of violence. That stuck in my mind and it's stuck in my mind all these years. She said they were also told it was very difficult to have someone committed. so we did the next best thing that we could think of. They contacted one of Theodore Kaczynski's doctors in Montana, where he lived in a remote cabin, and asked the doctor to refer to therapy. We were told he had to be a danger -- a demonstrable danger to himself or others to have him committed, David Kaczynski said. He said he became suspicious about his brother early this year after newspapers published a 35,000-word anti-technology manifesto from the Unabomber. In it, he spotted many of his brother's ideas. Also interviewed on the programme was the Kaczynskis mother Wanda, who said the family would not profit from the \$1 million reward offered for the Unabomber's capture. We are not going to profit one cent from that, she said.

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3 - article id: 54146 - high rank: 28

Reuters Topics: **GOVERNMENT/SOCIAL; CRIME, LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**USA: U.S. wants prompt start to Kaczynski trial.**

SACRAMENTO Calif. 1996-09-14 The U.S. government wants the trial of Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski to begin at the end of March next year, according to court documents. In papers filed in U.S. District Court in Sacramento on Friday, federal prosecutors proposed that all pre-trial motions in the complex case be filed by November 20 and asked that the trial itself should begin on March 31, 1997. Prosecutors said it was especially important that any defence arguments about Kaczynski's sanity or competence to stand trial be raised early enough to avoid delay to the trial caused by psychiatric evaluations and related hearings. The defence has not said if it will raise such arguments. The timetable will be discussed at the next hearing in the case, set for September 20 in the California state capital before U.S. District Judge Garland Burrell. The defence response to the government's proposed timetable was not immediately known, but defence attorney Quin Denvir said in June he thought it very unlikely the trial would start in less than a year because defence attorneys have to go through a mountain of evidence turned over by the government. Kaczynski, 54, a Harvard-educated former mathematics professor turned mountain hermit, is accused of being the shadowy Unabomber who killed three people and injured 23 during an anti-technology bombing campaign between 1978 and 1995. Kaczynski was arrested at his remote cabin in Montana in April and was transferred two months later to Sacramento where he has been charged with four of the bombings, two of them deadly. He has pleaded not guilty. In a status report on the case, prosecutors said they had turned over extensive evidence to defence attorneys. By law, prosecutors are required to share the evidence they have with the defence before trial. Prosecutors said they had turned over evidence relating to not only the four bombings that Kaczynski is charged with but also 13 additional bombings and other actions with which he has not been charged.

Prosecutors said in the court papers that evidence found in Kaczynski's Montana cabin included a fully functional bomb. The government said investigators had opened more than 2,000 files on people who were investigated during the 17-year Unabomber probe, one of the most intensive in FBI history. Voicing concern about the privacy of innocent people who were investigated, prosecutors proposed strict conditions on sharing this information with the defence to prevent the names of those investigated from being made public. Prosecutors disclosed that they have asked that Kaczynski voluntarily provide handwriting, hair and blood samples, saying the samples were needed to complete the forensic review of certain physical and documentary evidence. If the government and defence could not agree on providing the samples, prosecutors said they expected to file a court motion to try to force Kaczynski to provide the samples. The federal charges against Kaczynski can carry the death penalty, although the government has not yet said if it will seek the death penalty against him. Kaczynski is held in an isolation cell at the Sacramento County jail.

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4 - article id: 100028 - high rank: 47

Reuters Topics: **GOVERNMENT/SOCIAL; CRIME, LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**USA: Supreme Court opens term denies Kaczynski appeal.**

WASHINGTON 1996-10-07 The U.S. Supreme Court opened its new term on Monday, denying Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski's request that his case be thrown out and rejecting a challenge to the Whitewater special prosecutor's authority. Reviewing a wide range of controversies, the high court also rejected a challenge to a 1994 federal law that guarantees access to abortion clinics and declined to take up sex-harassment cases involving schools and the workplace. The nine justices returned to the bench after a three-month recess, hearing oral arguments in three important cases while also disposing of most of the 1,600 appeals that piled up during the summer. The court got an early start to its 1996-97 term last week by entering the nationwide right-to-die debate and agreeing to decide if mentally competent, terminally ill patients may seek help from their doctors to commit suicide. On Monday it issued more orders, but did not add to the cases it has already agreed to decide during its new term. In perhaps the most widely publicised case, the high court rejected arguments by Kaczynski, the former mathematics professor turned recluse, seeking to bar his prosecution because of government leaks to the news media. Kaczynski, 54, allegedly carried out 16 mail bombings that killed three people and injured 23 since 1978. He had sought in his appeal a lower-court hearing to go over the evidence supporting his claims. Kaczynski, who is awaiting trial in California and has pleaded innocent, claimed the leaks poisoned (against me) the entire population of grand jurors within the United States. In another key case, the Supreme Court rejected appeals by former Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and two business associates challenging Whitewater special prosecutor Kenneth Starr's authority to bring charges against them. The justices let stand a lower-court ruling that upheld Starr's jurisdiction to prosecute any offence he uncovers in his wide-ranging investigation of the failed Whitewater land deal in Arkansas, in which President Bill Clinton, then the state's governor, and his wife were partners in the 1980s. On the bench, the justices heard arguments on whether cable television companies can be forced to carry local broadcast stations -- a rule the cable industry has attacked as a form of illegal censorship. They also heard arguments in a case from Mississippi on whether a mother whose parental rights have been terminated may be required to pay more than \$2,000 in court costs before being allowed to appeal. In other action Monday, the court: --let stand a ruling that Congress has the power to adopt a 1994 law making it a crime to use force, threats of force or physical obstruction to interfere with abortion clinic staff or their patients; --rejected three separate appeals urging it to declare that the federal civil rights law covers sexual harassment in the workplace involving employees of the same sex; --turned down an appeal, supported by the Justice Department, seeking to hold schools liable under a federal law for failing to stop sexual harassment of female students by male students.

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5 - article id: 78842 - high rank: 42

Reuters Topics: **GOVERNMENT/SOCIAL; CRIME, LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**USA: Officers in King beating face no further prison time.**

LOS ANGELES 1996-09-26 A federal judge ruled Thursday that the two white policemen convicted in the videotaped 1991 beating of black motorist Rodney King will not be sent back to prison. Former Los Angeles police sergeant Stacey Koon and ex-officer Laurence Powell have been free from federal custody since December, but had to be formally resentenced to conform with a recent Supreme Court ruling in an appeal. The Supreme Court last June upheld the relatively lenient 30-month prison terms imposed by U.S. District Court Judge John Davies in 1993, but had ordered the judge to hold another hearing in case he wanted to reconsider the sentences. That was needed because the Supreme Court had set aside an appeals court ruling calling for Koon and Powell -- who were found guilty of violating King's civil rights



-- to receive more prison time. At Thursday's hearing, Davies reinstated his original sentence, allowing the men to remain free. Prosecutor Lawrence Middleton had sought more prison time plus fines, contending that the punishment they received was too light and that Koon had profited from his notoriety to the tune of close to \$10 million. We're satisfied, Koon's attorney, Ira Salzman, said outside court. But he accused prosecutors of meanness for making a last-ditch effort to impose further punishment. Koon, Powell and two other officers were acquitted of the beatings in state court in April 1992, touching off three days of rioting in Los Angeles that left 54 people dead and more than \$1 billion in damage. Koon and Powell were later convicted in a federal trial, while former officers Timothy Wind and Theodore Briseno were found not guilty. Under federal sentencing rules, Koon and Powell faced a potential sentence of 70 to 87 months, but Davies departed from the guidelines and imposed 30-month prison terms. Black community leaders denounced the sentence as far too lenient for the defendants roles in the videotaped attack, which was shown repeatedly on national television and sparked outrage against police brutality. Davies at the time cited several factors in justifying his downward departures from the sentencing guidelines, including his view that King had resisted arrest and was partly responsible for his own beating. Davies also said the officers were susceptible to abuse by others inmates in prison, that they had been subjected to state and federal prosecutions and that they had lost their jobs and livelihood. Acting on a request from prosecutors, a federal appeals court ruled that Davies should not have departed from the guidelines and, by implication, that the two should have drawn longer sentences. But the Supreme Court disagreed, ruling that most of the reasons Davies used to impose shorter prison terms were legally sound. In a final effort to change the judge's mind, Middleton said Thursday that the men should at least be fined. He contended that Koon had earned millions of dollars from sales of his book and contributions to a legal fund used to pay for his defence in three trials. King, who won \$3.8 million in damages from the city of Los Angeles and has continued having regular run-ins with the police, was not in court Thursday. But Koon and Powell sat behind their attorneys, showing no emotion when the judge announced his decision.

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**Note:** When a simple keyword search was performed for the keyword “**Theodore**” all 49 documents in the 1996 Reuters test database that contain this chosen search term were found. However, only one of the 7 documents related to the Unabomber, Theodore Kaczynski, appeared in the first page of results.

However, when **Needlebot’s User Profiles** (personalized search tool) was used with the “**Crime**” Profile selected, all 7 of these highly relevant documents appeared on the first page of results, (see pages 27-29).

The above example demonstrates how **Needlebot’s User Profiles** (personalized search tool) can be used to efficiently find multiple highly relevant documents that are likely to be of interest to the individual user who selected that particular user profile.

Note also that the user can store multiple user profiles related to different areas of interest. For example, if the user had selected the “**Movie Buff**” user profile instead while searching on the keyword “**Theodore**”, then the results would change to reflect the user’s current interests and would display those hit related to movies first. (See page 30).



# Improved Results using Needlebot's User Profiles Tool (User Profile: Movie Buff)

## **Example 5b: User seeks news articles related to actors named Theodore**

When a different User Profile, such as the "Movie Buff" profile is selected, the displayed results change to reflect the user's current interests. Hence, the 2 documents in the database that are related to movie news about actors named Theodore are displayed first.

Database: **Reuters 1996**  
Keywords Searched: **Theodore**  
Selected User Profile: **Movie Buff**

1 - article id: 39610 - high rank: 15  
Reuters Topics: **MARKETS/MARKETING; CORPORATE/INDUSTRIAL; GOVERNMENT/SOCIAL; ARTS, CULTURE, ENTERTAINMENT**

**USA: Seagrams "Bulletproof" tops U.S. box office.**  
LOS ANGELES 1996-09-08Bulletproof, a critically panned buddy comedy starring Damon Wayans and Adam Sandler, opened at the top of the U.S. box office with a gross of just \$6.0 million, according to studio estimates released Sunday. Most of the movies in the top 10 suffered large falls in the traditional post-Labor Day holiday slump. Last week's number one, The Crow: City of Angels, slid to seventh-equal with an estimated \$2.8 million. Bulletproof is released by Seagram Co Ltd's Universal Pictures, and is the studio's first number one movie since The Nutty Professor which opened June 28. According to a Variety poll of critics in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and Washington DC, four liked Bulletproof, 10 did not and four were mixed. The new Whoopi Goldberg movie, Bogus, which also stars Gerard Depardieu, opened in 11th with \$1.9 million. It is released by Time Warner Inc's Warner Bros. The actress last movie, Theodore Rex, bypassed theaters and went straight to video. The Variety poll of critics showed five liked Bogus, 12 did not and 12 were mixed. The one bright light at the box office was The Spitfire Grill, which has been showing in limited release for the past two weekends. It launched successfully into wide release this weekend with a \$3.6 million gross. This landed it in fifth position, from 36th last weekend. The movie is released by Castle Rock Entertainment, a unit of Turner Broadcasting System Inc, and Columbia Pictures, a unit of Sony Corp. Kevin Costner's Warner Bros. golfing comedy Tin Cup was second for the third week in a row, this time with \$4.8 million. Its gross to date is \$42 million. Walt Disney Co's First Kid remained in third, where it opened last week. It made \$4.3 million this weekend for a total of \$13.6 million. Warner Bros. A Time To Kill was steady in fourth with \$3.9 million. Its total is \$97 million. Following are the rest of the top 10, with last weekend's position in parenthesis. 6 (7) Independence Day ..... \$2.9 million 7=(6) Jack ..... \$2.8 million 7=(1) The Crow: City of Angels ..... \$2.8 million 7=(5) The Island Of Dr. Moreau ..... \$2.8 million 10(8) A Very Brady Sequel ..... \$2.3 million Independence Day is released by News Corp.'s 20th Century Fox. Jack is released by Disney, whose Miramax Films unit released The Crow: City of Angels. The Island Of Dr. Moreau is released by New Line Cinema, a unit of Turner Broadcasting. A Very Brady Sequel is released by Viacom Inc.'s Paramount Pictures.  
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2 - article id: 39421 - high rank: 14  
Reuters Topics: **MARKETS/MARKETING; CORPORATE/INDUSTRIAL; GOVERNMENT/SOCIAL; ARTS, CULTURE, ENTERTAINMENT**

**USA: "Bulletproof" penetrates top spot at U.S. box office.**  
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