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Cavak, thanks so much for the feedback on hashtags! I've been waiting for someone to help me understand this stuff. You helped, but I have some new questions, too. I hope you'll see this and follow up (or if anyone else wants to chime in, please do!)

You describe hashtags as ways to search social media, and I get that, but won't a search engine like Google still pick them up too? Also, for a hashtag to do anything, does a person have to search for it specifically, for instance typing into Google #blacklivesmatter instead of just searching for Black Lives Matter? If so, then it seems that making a unique hashtag right here would be useless, right? Like, I put #Haraszewski in my other post hoping it would register if anyone searched my name in any way, but for sure no one will ever actually type in #haraszewski, so it's a waste of time to even try, if I'm understanding correctly. True? Finally, side question: will someone list all the active search engines today? I know there's Google, Bing, and Yahoo (still?), but a lot of old ones are gone, I think (AskJeeves, Momma, DuckDuckGo), and I'm 100% there are new small ones now, like some that do no-cookie anonymous searching, etc. I'd like to know all the sites anyone knows of, please.

Anyway, thanks again, Cavak, and as for Halloween... I went dressed like a Smurf. Just like every day 😊 See the pic of my costume? Sweet, eh? Lol!

