

Evaluating your web source

Your Name_____

1. URL (Web Site Address)

2. Title of Web Page

3. What is the purpose of the web page? Why was it written? (Check those that apply)

Information/Facts

Propaganda

Commercial Site

Advice

Opinion

Personal

Advocacy

Entertainment

News

4. Who or what organization wrote the web page? What are the author's qualifications? What credentials does the author have? How did you find out?

5. Who published the website? (Commercial Business Group, Educational Institution, Government Agency, Personal Website, Private or Public Organization)

6. Do you feel the information is objective or is it biased? Has the site got a reason for wanting you to think in a particular way? Is it a balanced view or does it only give one opinion?
7. When was the web page published? Is it kept up to date? If so, what is the last update? How does the publication date or update affect credibility of the information?
8. Who are the intended users of the web page – what and who is it for?

Experts? General Public? Student?

After reviewing the above responses reflect and respond to the following:

9. Is this site relevant to me? Briefly list the information on the site that answers your research question(s).