Website Evaluation

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Objective

Students will be able to effectively evaluate an internet resource for authoritative/reliable information.

Why evaluate?

Is everything on the internet completely true?

Are all authors experts of the information they give?

Does information ever change?

How do you know when a website is truthful or not?

Being Critical of Information

ALWAYS ask yourself the following questions:

- Who is the author?
- What are the author's credentials?
- Is the organization recognizable?
- When was the site created?
- Does the site look professional?
- Does the site have advertisements?
- Does the site lead you to more information?
- What is the URL ending?

Bias

Definition of bias:

"to cause partiality or favoritism"

"a particular tendency or <u>inclination</u>, especially one that prevents unprejudiced consideration of a question; <u>prejudice</u>."

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Example Website 1



Example Website 2



Questions



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