

**William Annin Middle School Media Center
Web Site Evaluation Form and Works Cited Information
CAN YOU TRUST THIS SITE?**

Your Name: _____ Period: _____ Teacher: _____ DUE: _____

Directions: You are required to complete this form for each Internet web site that you use as a source for your project. Please complete a separate form for each website.

READ each question. If the answer is YES for your webpage, then check off on the right side. ALL statements **MUST** be checked off in order to convince you that this is a *reliable webpage*.

WHO is the source of the information?

1. Can you find an author and/or a sponsoring organization/publisher? _____
2. Are they knowledgeable or an expert in the topic that the webpage is about? _____
If so, write the author's name next to **Author**, and the organization's name next to **Name of Organization/Publisher** below.
(*Look for a tab or link to author/organization information – often called "About Us"*).
3. Is there a way to contact the author/organization-phone, email, or street address? _____
(*Look for a tab or link to contact information – often called "Contact Us"*). _____

WHEN was the web page or web site created?

4. Is the webpage fairly current and/or appears to be maintained by its author/organization? _____
(*Look for last updated date, copyright date or symbol.*) Write as **Publication Date** below. _____

WHAT type of information is provided and in what format?

5. Is the information on this Web site well organized with no grammatical errors? _____
6. Is the information on this Web site factual, not somebody's opinion, a blog or wiki? _____
Write the name of the web page next to **Web Page Title** below.
(*Name is usually at top of page and/or in blue bar at top of screen.*)

WHERE does the web page originate?

7. Is the home page a *credible* web site, **NOT** a free web page storage or term paper site or personal/school web page? (*Look at the URL – avoid .net, or sites with a tilde (~)*) _____

Write the home page URL here: _____
Write the name of the web site's home page next to **Name of Website** below.

WHY are you using this web page?

8. Is the purpose of the web site to inform (not advertise or entertain)? _____

IDENTIFY (CITE) your web page source: (* means required field)

Author(s): _____

* Web Page Title: _____

*Name of Website: _____

*Name of Sponsoring Org./Publisher: _____

Publication Date: _____

*Date You Viewed it: _____

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