

EVALUATING INTERNET WEB SITES: CAN YOU TRUST THIS SITE?

Your Name: _____ Period: _____ Date: _____

Directions: You are required to complete this form for each Internet web site that you use as a source for your project. Additional forms are available. Please complete a separate form for each site.
This form is available online (on the Media Center web page.)

READ each statement. Give each statement a **0** if you **Do Not Agree** OR a **1** if you **Agree**

WHO is the source of the information?

1. The author or organization is a known or credible expert in the area. _____
(Check for an "About Us" section)
2. An email address or other appropriate credits are provided. _____
(Check for a "Contact Us" section)
3. The viewpoint of the author or organization is respectful and objective. _____

WHAT does the web page look like and WHAT type of information is provided?

4. The information on this Web site is well organized and easy to understand. _____
5. The web site is free from spelling or grammatical errors. _____
6. The information on this Web site is factual. _____

WHEN was the web page or web site created?

7. The web page is current and appears to be updated regularly. _____

WHERE does the web page originate? WHERE do the links take you?

8. The home page is a credible web site and not an internet service provider, free web page source, or free essay/term paper site.) _____
9. The hyperlinks on the site are easy to use and lead to other useful sites. _____

WHY are you using this web page?

10. The purpose of the web site is to inform (not advertise or entertain.) _____

Add up the score. Maximum score: 10

TOTAL: _____

(PAGES USED FOR RESEARCH SHOULD SCORE BETWEEN **7-10** points!)

→Cite your source, following the example given below:

**Author Last Name, First Name. "Title of Web Page." Title of Web Site. Date of web page. Name of Organization.
Date of access < <http://www.webaddress.com>>.**

