

The QUICK CCRAP Sheet: Evaluating Print and Electronic Sources for Reliability and Credibility *

Topic: _____ Name: _____ Blk: ____ Date(s): _____

WHEN YOU ARE EVALUATING ELECTRONIC SOURCES: Can you tell where does the information come from? This process can be a usefool tool for analyzing how well the information provided by the source will meet your needs.

Instructions: Check each electronic source of information – what is its address (URL)? What kind of source is it? Are there any indicators that give you reason for confidence or doubt about the information on this source?

Source #	Address or Site name**	Where, in society: gov, ~, com, edu, net, org, info, biz?	Where in the world: uk, ca, ac, au, us, other? (Country name)	Type: wiki, website, ref, d/base, blog, ebook, etc.	Evaluate: Is the source credible/reliable? Do a QUICK CRAPP Analysis (see over)		
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* See also *Reality Check! Evaluating OnLine Information*

** Check InterNIC / WHOIS to complete a registered domain search www.internic.net/whois.html

The “DEEP” CCRAP Sheet: Evaluating Print and Electronic Sources for Reliability and Credibility *

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1. **Currency:** **When** was the source of information written, posted to the web, or last updated?
2. **Coverage:** **How** deeply does it cover the topic you are researching? **How** much more information will it provide compared to other sources you have chosen on the same topic? **How** ethical/grammatical/visually appealing/accurate is the information?
3. **Relevance:** **Why** might I use (or not use) this source of information?
4. **Authority:** **Who** is responsible for this source of information? **Who** sponsored this source?
5. **Perspective:** **What** is the purpose of this source? **What** viewpoint does it represent? **What** audience or reading level is it intended for?

CCRAP	Site 1	Site 2
Site name, address, other information		
Currency		
Coverage		
Relevance		
Authority		
Perspective		