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Website Evaluation Checklist

Anyone can publish a page on the Internet. There are no editors checking for the accuracy or validity of information on web sites. Use this general checklist to help you determine the usefulness of each site you consider for your research.

Website Address: _____

If the website is reliable, ALL ANSWERS SHOULD BE YES!!

DATE:			AUTHORITY:		
1.) Do I know when this information was written or produced?	y	n	8.) Do I know who wrote this information?	y	n
2.) Is this information recent enough for my project? hint: Some information becomes outdated quickly.	y	n	9.) Do I know something about the author, and if not can I find it? hint: Does the author work for a reputable organization?	y	n
OBJECTIVITY:			CONTENT:		
3.) Is the author presenting facts?	y	n	10.) Do I understand the information that is written?	y	n
4.) If the author presents opinions are they helpful?	y	n	11.) Is there enough information here to answer at least some of my questions?	y	n
5.) Is the website free of advertisements?	y	n	NOTES:		
ACCURACY:					
6.) Do I know where the author got his or her facts or background information? (Is there a bibliography of sources?)	y	n			
7.) Can I check this information in another source?	y	n			