

Website Evaluation

Name _____ Date _____

Teacher _____ Class _____

These questions should be used to determine whether information obtained from a website is credible and reliable. Fill in your responses to the following:

Website URL: _____

Authority:

What is the name of the author/sponsoring organization for this website?

What qualifies the author/sponsoring organization to publish information about this topic?

Are you able to contact the author with comments or questions? _____ YES _____ NO

What is the purpose of the sponsoring organization? Might the purpose lead to biased information?

Content:

Are you able to verify a few details in another (print) source? _____ YES _____ NO

What source did you use? _____

Did you follow the author's links to see if they reveal biases? _____ YES _____ NO

Does the author cite her/his sources? _____ YES _____ NO

Currency:

What is the date of publication (or last revision) for this website? _____