

CRAAP TEST EVALUATION

For books, articles, websites, newspapers, blogs

Use this worksheet to help you evaluate a source.

<p>Currency: The timeliness of information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● When was the information published or posted? ● Has the information been revised? ● Is the information current or out of date for your topic? ● Are the links functional? 	
<p>Relevance: The importance of the information for your needs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Does the information relate to your topic or answer your questions? ● Who is the intended audience? ● Is the information level appropriate (To basic or to advanced)? ● Would you be comfortable using it for your paper? 	
<p>Authority: The source of the information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Who is the author/publisher/sponsor/source? ● What are the author's credentials or affiliations? ● Is there a publisher or an e-mail? ● Does the URL tells you the source (gov, edu, mit, org, net, com, etc...)? 	
<p>Accuracy: Reliability, truthfulness, and correctness of the content</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What is the purpose of the information? ● Has the information been reviewed? ● Can you verify the information from another source? ● Does the information seem unbiased or free of emotion? ● Is the information free of spelling mistakes? 	
<p>Purpose: The reason the information exists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What is the purpose of the information? ● Do the author/sponsors make their intentions or purpose clear? ● Is the information fact? Opinion or propaganda? ● Does the point of view appear objective and impartial? ● Is it free of ideological, political, cultural, religious, or personal biases? 	

