

Name:

Website Citation:

Website Evaluation Criteria (C Block)

Purpose

- What is the purpose of the website? Examples: entertainment, education, commercial, persuade. How can you tell?
 - Is the site specific to one topic or too many topics?
 - How much of the site is text and how much of the site is pictures and/or ads?
 - Are the pictures and/or videos relevant to the topic of the website?
 - Are the pictures and/or videos explained well?
 - Does the website explain unknown words?
 - What is the tone of the site?

Authorship & Credibility

- Who are the publishers, editors, or sponsors?
- Does it say who the author is?
 - What are the author's credentials? How do you know?
 - Is a school or professor listed? If so double check to make sure it is real.
 - What is the domain? Examples: .gov, .edu, .com. Is the domain name trusted?
- Are the sources clearly identified and cited correctly?
- Is the information the same on other trusted websites? Check these to see if the facts are true.

- Is the spelling correct? Grammar? Any other errors?

Usability & Relevance

- Does the website have a search bar or directory?
- Are there links to credible sites?
- Is the site neat and attractive?
- Is everything relevant to each other? Does the site stay on topic?
- Is there enough information on your topic?

How Recently Updated

- Is the site up to date?
- Can you match the information to a recent physical source such as a reliable newspaper?
- Do most of the links work?