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Explain: When was this site last updated? What date can you find?

YoN: Do you think the source is current enough for your assignment?

Yes

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Authority

Justifying that the author's evidence is valuable.

Explain: Is there a specific author listed on the website? What credentials makes the author knowledgeable in this field?

YoN: Is there a bibliography given citing the website sources used?

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Reliability

Looking to see if the information found is trustworthy.

YoN: Does the information come from a school or government organization? (.edu, .gov and sometimes .org—non-profit)

Yes

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Explain: Do you trust the information from this website? Why, or why not?

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