Evaluation Activities

Activity 1

Visit the following webpage:

http://www.co2science.org/articles/V18/jun/a28.php

Is this a reliable source of information about carbon dioxide's environmental effects?

You may use any information on this website, or you can open a new tab and do an internet search if that helps. Explain your answer, citing evidence from the webpages you used.

Activity 2

Visit the following webpage:

https://www.environmentalpolicyalliance.org/how-regulated-is-energy-development/

Is this a reliable source of information about the regulation of energy?

You may use any information on this website, or you can open a new tab and do an internet search if that helps. Explain your answer, citing evidence from the webpages you used.

Activity 3 - Social Media

Source 1: Devil's PunchBowl

https://www.tiktok.com/@davidabwilliams/video/7191253105072262446

If you're unable to access the video on TikTok, watch a screencast of it here.

Evaluate the reliability of this TikTok. Use these questions to help guide your evaluation of the source:

- What is the name of the TikTok account? Do you know anything about this source already?
- What can you learn about the person behind the TikTok account? (Although it's
 okay to start with something like the TikTok profile, you also need to go outside
 the post!)
- What sources did you use to learn about the person behind the TikTok account? How do you know that these are good sources?

When you are finished evaluating the TikTok account, answer the question below.

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Source 2: Septima Clark

https://www.tiktok.com/@posh.foodie.professor/video/7197221132032937258

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Evaluate the reliability of this TikTok. Use these questions to help guide your evaluation of the source:

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- What can you learn about the person behind the TikTok account? (Although it's
 okay to start with something like the TikTok profile, you also need to go outside
 the post!)
- What sources did you use to learn about the person behind the TikTok account?
 How do you know that these are good sources?

When you are finished evaluating the TikTok account, answer the question below.

- Were you able to discover who was behind the account? Y/N
- Were you able to verify the claim outside social media? Y/N
- Overall, was the information true? Y/N

Activity 3 - Social Media

Source 3: Acoustic Kitty https://www.instagram.com/p/B1UUqQ_ACvf/

If you're unable to access the post on Instagram, a screenshot is available here.

Now take a moment to verify the post using the two strategies:

- 1. Read laterally about the account behind the post; and
- 2. Do a keyword search to investigate the claim itself.

When you are finished evaluating the TikTok account, answer the question below.

- Were you able to discover who was behind the account? Y/N
- Were you able to verify the claim outside social media? Y/N
- Overall, was the information true? Y/N