

Group Topic:

Group Member Names:

Source Evaluation
Inside/Outside ABCDE

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Look INSIDE the website:	Who wrote this? What organization sponsored this? What do you know about them? Look at the “about” section of the website.	What perspective is being reflected? What is the purpose of this site? Is the bias obvious?	Is there a bibliography or works cited? Does it link to other sources? Has the site been edited carefully? Can you understand it? Is this the information you’re looking for? Fact check. Does this same information appear elsewhere? Does it match with what you already know?	Is the information up to date? For this topic, does it matter?	What do you think? Should you use this site? Why or why not? What, if any, additional information would you need to get a balanced picture?
Look OUTSIDE the website:	What can you find out about them? Do a Google search of the name of the organization or key people listed on the page. Take a look at Wikipedia . Are other sources linked to it? (Try link: www. . . . and see how many pages link to this page.)	After doing a Google search, what can you learn about this person’s or organization’s bias?	If something seems unbelievable, use Snopes.com to check if it’s true.	Is there new information that challenges this information?	

Evaluate the one or two web sources your group has chosen.

Your Purpose: Find a source that will help with this question, “How do environmental factors affect genetic variation?”

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Example 1: www.com	The author’s name is The website says she’s a journalist.	The organization behind this information is working to bring awareness to these health issues	This information is exactly what I need. The bibliography leads me to other good sources.	The information was updated in July 2019.	I think this site will be very useful for my research because I trust the source and the information matches what I found elsewhere.
	I found lots of articles on many topics that published on other sites.	The site is published by Wikipedia says it is a non-profit educational group that promotes the idea of peace.	The information matches what I found in other places.	I haven’t found anything more recent than this	

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