RESEARCH SKILLS:

CRITICAL EVALUATION OF INTERNET CONTENT AVOIDING PLAGIARISM APA REFERENCING

"CRAAP" to consider...

In less than 25 min!

START SOMEWHERE RELIABLE...

Always start your research with a vetted source e.g. world book, a published book, journal article, magazine article e.g. article from EBSCOhost, World Book, GALE

What about Wikipedia?



"The site is a wonderful starting point for research. But it's only a starting point because there's always a chance that there's something wrong, and you should check your sources if you are writing a paper" (Wales, J.,22 March, 2007)

- Who is Jimmy Wales? ~ Jimmy Wales is the creator of Wikipedia, and of wiki technology in general.
- He's the person you have to thank every time you log on to the "World's Largest Encyclopaedia"
- If *he* doesn't think you should use it as an exclusive source, do you still think it's a good idea?

WHY?

Why is it important to critically evaluate the information you receive from the internet?

Not all online information is equal.... e.g.

Bernese Mountain Dog

http://descy.50megs.com/akcj3/bmd.html http://www.burmesemountaindog.org/

Let's evaluate this site:

https://www.thoughtco.com/german-revolution-of-1918-1221345

What should we be looking for?

IS THIS C.R.A.A.P.?

Currency: the timeliness of the information

Relevance: the importance of the information for your needs

Authority: the source of the information

Accuracy: the reliability, truthfulness, and correctness of the content

Purpose: the reason the information exists

<u>Checklist</u>

Now that you have found great resources, how do you avoid plagiarism?

Paraphrase

Direct Quote

Create a Reference Page in APA Format

Copyright Lessons for Students and Teachers

I run my own travel consulting page on a large social media platform, I recently used a google image of a hotel. This morning I received an invoice for \$3500 because I used this image, I did not know about copyright infringements as it was just an image on google.

So, how do you avoid this?

HOW TO CITE AN IMAGE

<u>How NOT to cite an image</u>

What you need to know about google images:

- Unless you specify in your image search for images that are "free to use or share" you must give credit to where that image was taken from you MUST give credit to the artist. E.g. (Phillips, 2016) – also include this in your reference page.
- To avoid this try:
 - o <u>https://search.creativecommons.org/</u>
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FORMAT FOR CITING AN IMAGE

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<u>EXAMPLE OF A REFERENCE PAGE</u>/BIBLIOGRAPHY

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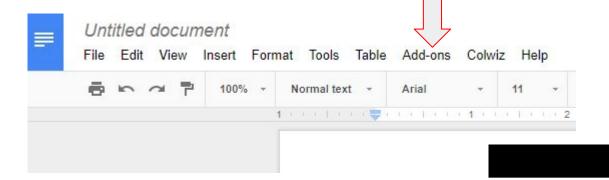
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