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Website Evaluation

Use the following criteria and questions to evaluate websites for use in your research:

Criteria	Your Evaluation
Website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title • Author or Publisher • Last updated • URL 	
Authority <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the credentials of the author or publisher? • Is this a personal page or is it sponsored by an organization? • What is the point of view or perspective of the creator? 	
Navigation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What navigation tools are embedded in the site (e.g., navigation bar, tabs, left or right channel, site map) and how easily is the site navigated? • What tools are offered to make the text easier to navigate (e.g., headings, bullets, graphics, highlighting)? • Are all embedded links active? 	
Relevance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the website address your topic and research questions? • Can you read and understand the text? 	
Accuracy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the information appear to be accurate because it matches information found in other resources? Is it up-to-date? • Is the information mostly facts or opinion? • Is believable evidence provided to back up all statements? 	
Comprehensiveness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the information complete and comprehensive? • Does the site present more than one perspective? 	