***Evaluating Websites***

**Names:**

**Name of the web site:**

**URL:**

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| ***Can the author be trusted?*** | | | |
| ***Is the author’s name clear?*** | **1** I cannot find it | **2** found it but was very hard | **3** I found it and it was easy |
| ***What makes the author an expert?*** | **1** No information given | **2** Author’s title given | **3** Title and company/organization given |
| ***How is the grammar?*** | **1** Many errors | **2** One or two errors | **3** No errors |
| ***How is the spelling?*** | **1** Many errors | **2** One or two errors | **3** No errors |
| ***Can you contact the author?*** | **1** No contact information given | **2** E-mail address given | **3** e-mail address + postal address given |

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| ***Will this site have the information I need?*** | | | |
| ***Does the information look useful?*** | **1** Not useful | **2-**Might be useful | **3** definitely useful |
| ***Is it worth bookmarking for future*** | **1-**Not worth bookmarking | **2** Might bookmark | **3** definitely |

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| ***Is the site up to date*** | | | |
| ***Can you find the date the site was created?*** | **1** Can’t find it | **2** Found it but was very hard | **3** Was very easy to find |
| ***When was the site last revised?*** | **1** Can’t find the date | **2** Revised more than six months ago | **3** Revised less than 6 months ago |
| ***Do the links work?*** | **1** Lots of dead links | **2** One or two dead links | **3** All the links work |

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| ***Is this a good research site for students?*** | | | |
| ***Is the text readable?*** | **1** Need an adult to help read it | **2** Need help reading some parts | **3** Can read it all |
| ***How is the “look” of the site?*** | **1** Ugly and hard to use | **2** The look is okay | **3** The look really helps me find what I need |
| ***Is it easy to move around the site (this is called navigation)*** | **1** Keep getting lost | **2** Have some trouble finding my way | **3** Very easy to find my way |
| ***Is there useful information for students?*** | **1** Few parts of the site seem useful for students | **2** Some parts of the site would be useful for students | **3** Most of the site would be useful for students |

***TOTAL score for all 3 columns: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***