# C.R.A.A.P test to evaluate websites

**Website name or url:**

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| **Currency:** The timeliness of the information | Is there a copyright date?  
Are the links functional?  
Is it current enough for your topic? |   |   |   |   |
| **Relevance:** Importance of the information for your needs | Does the information relate to your topic?  
Is the information at an appropriate level? |   |   |   |   |
| **Authority:** The source of the information | Who is the author/publisher?  
What are their credentials?  
Is there contact information?  
Does the URL reveal anything about the source? |   |   |   |   |
| **Accuracy:** Reliability, truthfulness and correctness of information | Where does the information come from?  
Is the information supported by evidence?  
Has the information been reviewed or refereed? |   |   |   |   |
| **Purpose:** Reason the information exists | What is the purpose of the information (to inform, teach, sell, entertain)?  
Is the information fact, opinion or propaganda?  
Does the point of view appear objective and impartial?  
Are there political, cultural, religious, institutional or personal biases? |   |   |   |   |

**TOTAL POINTS =**

**What the score means:**

- **12 – 15** Excellent source
- **8 – 11** Good source (confirm with other sources)
- **4 – 7** Useful for ideas but probably not a good source for reference
- **0 – 3** Highly questionable source