

WEB SITE EVALUATION

Author of site _____

Title of site _____

Date of publication or last update _____

Name of the sponsoring organization _____

Date of Access _____

URL _____

Search engine used _____

Rate the web site you are using with the criteria below. 5 is the highest rating indicating that the site is excellent in that category; 1 is the lowest indicating the site is weak/poor in that category.

Accuracy –	5	4	3	2	1
Does the page cite references for the information it provides?					
Can the information be verified with other resources?					
Does the source contain obvious inaccuracies?					

Authority –	5	4	3	2	1
What credentials are listed for the author?					
What institution sponsors/owns the site? Is it a credible organization?					
Check http://www.networksolutions.com/en_US/whois/index.jhtml .					

Coverage -	5	4	3	2	1
How unique is the coverage of information in the site?					
Is it information that could be found easily in library reference material?					
How much does the information in the site increase your knowledge of the topic?					

Currency –	5	4	3	2	1
How up-to-date is the information?					
Are there many dead links?					

Objectivity –	5	4	3	2	1
Is the web site trying to persuade you to think a certain way / giving a personal view?					
Is the site an advertising site?					

Total Rating
 The total rating should be at least 20 in order for you to consider using the site as a resource. _____