

The CRAAP Test

Your guide to web site evaluation

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See the presentation at

<http://www.mid.muohio.edu/library/instruction.cfm>

CURRENCY

- When was the info published or posted?
- Has it been revised or updated?
- Is the info current or out-of-date?
- Are the links functional?

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RELEVANCE

- Does the info relate to your topic or answer your research question?
- Who is the intended audience?
- Is the info at the appropriate level?
- Have you looked at a variety of sources?

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AUTHORITY

- Who is the author/publisher/sponsor?
- Are the author's credentials or organizational affiliations given?
- Is there contact info for the author/organization?
- What is the domain of the site?

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ACCURACY

- Where does the info come from?
- Is the info supported by evidence?
- Has the info been reviewed or refereed?
- Can you verify the info in another source?
- Does the language seem biased and free from emotion?

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PURPOSE

- Does the info attempt to inform? Teach? Sell? Entertain? Persuade?
- Does the author make his intentions or purpose clear?
- Is the info fact? Opinion? Propaganda?
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