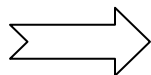NAME_____ Per._____ Teacher_____

Evaluating My Web Page Source

1. **WHO**? – Author/Organization and Authority
    a. **Who is the author or organization?** Look for *About* tab.
    _____

    b. What is their background, education, expertise, purpose or mission?
    _____
    _____

    c. Do *you* think they are an *authority* on *your topic*? Circle one.

          YES   NO

2. **WHEN**? – Currency of Information
    a. **When was this web page *created* or *last updated*?**_____
    b. Is this date current enough for your research topic? YES   NO
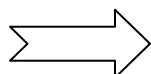
3. **WHAT**? – Accuracy of information content
    a. Is the information factual? YES   NO
    b. Is the information well organized, with few or no grammatical errors? YES NO
    c. Does the author write objectively, presenting both sides of a topic or issue?
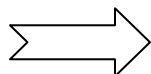
        YES   NO

4. **WHERE**? – Web site *(Click the Home button or icon in top left of web page)*
    a. Write down the **web site NAME**:_____

    b. **Write down web site URL or address.** (ex. www.nasa.gov)
    _____

    c. What does the address tell you *about* the web site?
    _____
    _____

    d. Is this web site a legitimate, reliable web site?

        YES   NO

5. **WHY**? – Purpose
    a. Was the web page created to *inform* (give information), not *entertain* or *sell* you something? YES   NO

EVALUATION RESULT: Check one:

_____If you have answered YES to all of the YES NO questions, then "Yay, this is a trustworthy web page!"

_____If you have answered NO to any of the YES NO questions, then this may NOT be a trustworthy web page and you should look for a better web page source.