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 Page & Web site (Click Home button or icon in top left of web page)
   a. Write down the web site NAME:______________________________
   b. Write down the web page NAME:____________________________
   c. Write down web site URL or address. (ex. www.nasa.gov)
      __________________________________________________________
   d. What does the address tell you about the web site?
      __________________________________________________________
      __________________________________________________________
   e. **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.
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Rate the *quality* of the information in this source: (Circle one)  
1-great  2-good  3-just ok  

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