Web Page Evaluation Form

The Internet is full of information; some is credible and some is misinformation. One of the skills you can acquire is how to evaluate a web page to determine if the information is credible. This exercise will help you find out how well you are able to locate and select credible information. Complete the form below using an Internet web site on a topic of interest to you.

Student Name: _____

Note: If the information requested is not available, write "N/A" in the space to the right of the question.

Information about the Internet web site.

1. Who (what person/s) authored/wrote the page?
2. What organization/publisher is affiliated with the page?
3. Title of the webpage's home page:
4. Title of the web page:
4. What is the URL/location for the site? http://
5. What is the domain name of the site? (Circle one) com .gov .org .net .edu
6. Date the page was created/published: Date you accessed the page: _____

Criterion #1: AUTHORITY (Circle Y for Yes and N for No) Score: _____ **(Number of "Yes" Responses)**

Y N 1. Is it clear who wrote the information?
Y N 2. Are the author's qualifications for writing on this topic clearly stated?
Y N 3. Is there a link to a page (or area on it) describing the purpose of the sponsoring/publishing organization?
Y N 4. Is there a phone number or postal address to contact for more information? (email address not enough).

Criterion #2: ACCURACY (Circle Y for Yes and N for No) Score: _____ **(Number of "Yes" Responses)**

Y N 1. Are the sources for any factual information clearly listed so they can be verified in another source?
Y N 2. Is the information free of grammatical, spelling, and other typographical errors?
Y N 3. Is the information accurate, when compared to other sources?

Criterion #3: OBJECTIVITY (Circle Y for Yes and N for No) Score: _____ **(Number of "Yes" Responses)**

Y N 1. Is the information reasonably unbiased?
Y N 2. Is the information free of advertising?
Y N 3. If there is any advertising on the pages, is it clearly set off from the informational content?

Criterion #4: CURRENCY (Circle Y for Yes and N for No) Score: _____ **(Number of "Yes" Responses)**

Y N 1. Are there dates on the page to indicate when the page was written or last revised? Dates: _____
Y N 2. Are there any indications that the information is kept current or updated?

Criterion #5: COVERAGE (Circle Y for Yes and N for No) Score: _____ **(Number of "Yes" Responses)**

Y N 1. Does this page cover the information in-depth, adequately?
Y N 2. If there is a print (e.g., magazine, newspaper, book) equivalent to the Web page, is it clear whether the entire work,
or only parts of it are available on the Web site?

Total Yes Responses _____