

QUESTIONS TO ASK	WHERE TO FIND THE INFORMATION		
RELIABILITY & CREDIBILITY	BOOK	ARTICLE	INTERNET SOURCE
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who is the author of the information? (this could be a person, persons, or even a group) 2. Is the information you're looking at from the original author or is someone paraphrasing or quoting someone else's work? 3. What are the author's credentials? (professional, journalist, just a person with opinions) 4. What is the author's occupation, position, education, experience? (generally researchers with doctorates write the most credible information) 5. Is the author affiliated with a group or institution? (university, journalistic business, or even corporation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Author affiliation statement in source. A small bio will probably be included somewhere in the book or on the jacket. • Google the author and find their personal page, Facebook, LinkedIn, or University page 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Author affiliation statement in source. Generally the article will have the author's affiliation at the top of the article • Google the author and find their personal page, Facebook, LinkedIn, or University page 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Page created by information • About section • If you find a name, Google it and find their personal page, Facebook, LinkedIn, or University page.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When was the source created, published, or last updated? (if you need current information on a topic, old information does you no good, find an up-to-date source) 2. Are the facts accurate? (try and follow quotes or paraphrases back to their original source) 3. How does the information compare with other information you've gathered, especially if it is scholarly information? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cited sources in the bibliography • The information has been cited by other sources • Book reviews have been written on it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cited sources in the bibliography • The information has been cited by other sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cited sources in bibliography on page somewhere • Associated links from the site (do they lead to government or university websites of good report?)
PERSPECTIVE	BOOK	ARTICLE	INTERNET SOURCE
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the author express a particular point of view without looking at other views? 2. Does the author present obvious bias? 3. Does the publication/site present any obvious biases? (for example a affiliations with certain political parties, organizations, institutions, or businesses, beware of information that is trying to sell you something) 4. Who is the audience for the information? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Author affiliation statement in source • Google the author and find their personal page, Facebook, or LinkedIn. • Corporate or Institutional pages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Author affiliation statement in source • Google the author and find their personal page, Facebook, or LinkedIn. • Corporate or Institutional pages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Author affiliation statement in source • Google the author and find their personal page, Facebook, or LinkedIn. • Corporate or Institutional pages • Associated links on webpage
PURPOSE	BOOK	ARTICLE	INTERNET SOURCE
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who is the audience? 2. Is this reflected by the writing style, vocabulary, or tone? 3. What does the information do? Inform? Explain? Persuade? 4. Does the information present sufficient evidence to back up its claims? 5. What conclusions are drawn? Were they drawn using research? 	<p>It's up to you to read the document and make a determination</p>	<p>It's up to you to read the document and make a determination</p>	<p>It's up to you to read the document and make a determination</p>