# Worksheet: Evaluating the source of information

Use the following worksheet to evaluate the web sources of information.

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| **Name of website:** |       |
| **Web Address (URL):** | http://      |
| 1. **Who owns or operates the website?**
	* Is it an organisation or an individual?
	* What type of organisation operates the website?
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| * + 1. **When was the website constructed or renewed?**
* Is it up to date?
* Does it provide details of when it was last checked?
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| 1. **Who has written or provided the information?**
	* Is it an organisation or an individual?
	* Is the author known widely for their skill or knowledge in this field?
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| 1. **Are the purposes of the website clear?**
	* Does the site do what it says it does?
	* Is the information biased in any way?
	* Does the web site promote one way of thinking about a topic?
	* Does it provide a balanced opinion?
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| 1. **Can the information be checked for accuracy and currency?**
	* Has anyone else said the same things elsewhere?
	* Are there other sites that provide similar information?
	* If information is new, have they provided reasons or evidence to support their statements?
	* Does the site direct you to other websites that may support their information?
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| 1. **Other Issues**
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