# 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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