The CRAAP Test Worksheet

Use the following list to evaluate your sources. Answer the questions and rank each of the five parts from a scale of **1 to 10** (1 = unreliable, 10 = helpful). Add up the scores for each of the five steps to determine if the source is suitable for use, and if it meets your instructor's standards.

CURRENCY: THE TIMELINESS OF THE INFORMATION.

- When was the information published? _____
- Are the links functional? _____
- Does your topic require current information? _____
- Has the information been updated? _____

RELEVANCE: THE IMPORTANCE OF THE INFORMATION.

- Who is the intended audience? _____
- Does the information relate to your topic? _____
- Would you comfortably cite this source in your work? _____
- Is the information at an appropriate level? _____

AUTHORITY: THE SOURCE OF THE INFORMATION.

- Who is the author/publisher/source? _____
- Does the URL reveal anything about the author or source? _____
- Is the author qualified to write on the topic? _____
- Is there contact information, such as email address? _____

ACCURACY: THE RELIABILITY AND CORRECTNESS OF THE CONTENT.

- Where does the information come from? _____
- Are there any spelling or grammar error? _____
- Does the language or tone seem unbiased? _____
- Is the information supported by evidence? _____

PURPOSE: THE REASON THE INFORMATION EXISTS.

- Is the information fact, opinion, or propaganda? _____
- Does the point of view appear objective and impartial? _____
- Do the authors make their intensions or purpose clear? _____
- Are there political, cultural, or religious biases? _____

> **45-50** Helpful | **40-44** Good
> **35-39** Average | **30-34** Borderline Acceptable
> **Below 30** – Unreliable source