

## EVALUATING WEB SITES: THE W5 FOR W3 CHECKLIST

**TITLE OF WEB PAGE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**URL (WEB ADDRESS):** \_\_\_\_\_

Is this site a personal site? (a ~ in the URL is <i>one</i> indicator)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncertain
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### WHO is responsible for the site?

Is there an individual author?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, author's name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the "author" a sponsoring agency?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, agency's name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the page sponsored by a "parent" organization or association?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, sponsor's name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Can you locate credentials for the author/association/agency?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

### WHAT type of site is it? (What is the domain?)

<input type="checkbox"/> edu (educational)	<input type="checkbox"/> net (network/utilities)	<input type="checkbox"/> gov (government)	<input type="checkbox"/> org (organization)	<input type="checkbox"/> mil (military)	<input type="checkbox"/> com (commercial)
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### WHEN was the site created or updated?

<input type="checkbox"/> Date:     /     /	(Caution: if today's date, it is likely an automated dater	<input type="checkbox"/> No date
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### WHERE can you find more information?

Is there an e-mail address?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is there contact information (phone #, street address) other than an e-mail address?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is there documentation (like a bibliography) for factual statements, assertions and secondhand information?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there links to other viewpoints, if applicable?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

### WHY was this site created?

<input type="checkbox"/> To sell	<input type="checkbox"/> To persuade	<input type="checkbox"/> To advocate an agenda	<input type="checkbox"/> To inform
Are advertisements (if any) appropriate for the content of this site?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Explain:			