

Evaluating Web Sites (7OVC3)

Task: Take a “CyberTour” of mock web sites to test your surfing skills. This site, by Media Awareness, will provide you criteria to assess websites, such as “values represented”, “accuracy of information”, etc. Use what you learned to answer the quiz at the end.

Step 1: Log on to the Internet.

Step 2: Type in this website

http://www.media-awareness.ca/english/special_initiatives/games/joecool_joefool/jo_cool_kids.cfm

and press **Enter**. Make sure that you spell everything properly!

Step 3: Click on Cybertour Flash Version on the right side of the page. Follow the directions to explore all of the web sites. ****HINT: Refer to the questions at the end of this page to help you make good decisions.**

Step 4: Click on Cyberquiz Flash Version on the right side of the page.

Step 5: Record your results.

Web Site Reliability Questions

Who created the web site?

What are his or her credentials? That is, is he or she an expert? How can we tell?

Is he or she objective?

Who is the intended audience of the site? Are pictures and language appropriate?

Are the facts or claims accurate? How do you know?

When was it created?