The CRAAP Test Worksheet

Use the following list to help you evaluate sources. Answer the questions as appropriate, and then rank each of the 5 parts from 1 to 10 (1 = unreliable, 10 = excellent). Add up the scores to give you an idea of whether you should you use the resource (and whether your professor would want you to!).

Currency: *the timeliness of the information*.. 8 | ~~10~~

- When was the information published or posted? ___Feb 25, 2016___
- Has the information been revised or updated? ___Unknown___
- Is the information current or out-of date for your topic? ___Current___
- Are the links functional? ___Yes___

Relevance: *the importance of the information for your needs*................... | 8 |

- Does the information relate to your topic or answer your question? ___Yes___
- Who is the intended audience? ___General Public___
- Is the information at an appropriate level? ___Yes___
- Have you looked at a variety of sources before choosing this one? ___Yes___
- Would you be comfortable using this source for a research paper? ___Maybe___

Authority: *the source of the information*... | 7 |

- Who is the author/publisher/source/sponsor? ___Carol Der Sarkissian___
- Are the author's credentials or organizational affiliations given? ___~~No~~ Yes___
- What are the author's credentials or organizational affiliations given? ___~~Masters~~ MD___
- What are the author's qualifications to write on the topic? ___Unknown___
- Is there contact information, such as a publisher or e-mail address? ___No___
- Does the URL reveal anything about the author or source? ___WebMD___

Accuracy: *the reliability, truthfulness, and correctness of the content*.......... | 7 |

- Where does the information come from? ___WebMD___
- Is the information supported by evidence? ___Limited Evidence___
- Has the information been reviewed or refereed? ___Yes___
- Can you verify any of the information in another source? ___Yes___
- Does the language or tone seem biased and free of emotion? ___No___
- Are there spelling, grammar, or other typographical errors? ___No___

Purpose: *the reason the information exists*.................................... | 9 |

- What is the purpose of the information? ___Provide Information to General Public___
- Do the authors/sponsors make their intentions or purpose clear? ___Yes___
- Is the information fact? opinion? propaganda? ___Fact___
- Does the point of view appear objective and impartial? ___Impartial___
- Are there political, ideological, cultural, religious, institutional, or personal biases? ___No___

> *45 - 50 Excellent | 40 - 44 Good*
> *35 - 39 Average | 30 - 34 Borderline Acceptable*
> *Below 30 - Unacceptable*

Total: | 39 |