

Step 1: Analyze Your Resource

ATTRIBUTES	NOTES ABOUT YOUR RESOURCE
What is the title?	
Who is the author?	
What is the resource <u>format</u> , i.e. magazine, book, video etc.	
What <u>type</u> of resource is this, i.e. primary, secondary, tertiary, etc. <i>Hint: Identify content.</i>	
Who published it?	
When was it published?	

Step 2: Apply the C.R.A.P. Test

	CRITERIA	NOTES ABOUT YOUR SOURCE
C	<u>Currency</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How recent is the information? Can you locate a date when the resource was written/created/updated? Based on your topic is this current enough? Why might the date matter for your topic? 	
R	<u>Reliability</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What kind of information is included in the resource? Is the content primarily opinion? Is the information balanced or biased? Does the author provide citations or references for quotations & data? 	
A	<u>Authority</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you determine who the author/creator is? What are their credentials (education, affiliation, experience, etc)? Who is the publisher or sponsor of the work/site? Is this publisher/sponsor reputable? 	
P	<u>Purpose / Point of View</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What's the intent of the article (to persuade you, to sell something, etc)? For web resources, what is the domain (.edu, .com, etc.)? How might that influence the purpose/point of view? Is the author presenting fact or opinion? 	

Is this a strong or a weak source? Circle one & explain.

STRONG

WEAK