

THINKING CRITICALLY ABOUT ONLINE SOURCES

Name _____

Due Date: _____

This assignment has three parts and must be typed. Value: points

Part I: For each of the following websites, go to the internet site and write whether or not the website is a credible source. Be specific and explain how you determined your answer for each website using the Evaluating Web sites, four basic criteria to guide you available at:
http://www.valenciacc.edu/library/east/eval_web.cfm

1. Stop Family Violence: <http://www.stopfamilyviolence.org>
2. National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention:
<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/dhap.htm>
3. Central Florida Zoo: <http://www.centralfloridazoo.org/>
4. National Public Radio: www.npr.org/
5. Talking Pets: <http://www.talkingpets.org/>
6. Emily's List: <http://www.emilyslist.org>

Part II: Find a legitimate website, give title, address and explanation why it is credible (do not use an educational institution as your legitimate Web site). Attach a copy of an article appearing on your Web site.

Part III: Visit the following data bases located at the Valencia East Campus Library home page, Research data bases link. Choose one article from each data base dealing with one/any of your speech topics, and then write the article in APA format.

a. **Academic Search Premier** is a full text database providing access to over 3200 scholarly journals covering all subject areas.

b. **CQ Researcher** contains articles providing differing viewpoints on a variety of issues in the news, including politics, social science, education, government, technology, and others.

c. **NewsBank** is used for locating articles from newspapers nationwide, including the Orlando Sentinel. This database contains the complete full text of articles published in 25 newspapers representing 15 states.