

Objectives: Build a search based on your research question; Find a source that will help answer your research question; Evaluate the source using the CRAAP Test

1. What is your paper topic? Write it below:

2. Create a research question based on your topic:

3. Build **three** *Fetch!* searches based on your research question & write them down below. Use Boolean operators OR, AND, & NOT along with parentheses () and quotation marks “ ” to build your searches.

4. Find a source that will help answer your research question. Then write down the following:
 - a. Title:
 - b. Author:
 - c. Container (if applicable):
 - d. Year of Publication:
 - e. Call number OR doi:
 - f. Database (if applicable):

5. Answer the following questions associated with each CRAAP criteria:

C - Currency

Does my research topic require up-to-date information?

How current must it be?

Has this source been updated since initial publication?

Could I find other sources of similar quality with more current information?

R - Relevance

Is this information detailed enough for my research topic?

R - Relevance (continued)

Is this information technical enough for my research topic?

What role will this information play in answering my research question?

A - Authority

Who is the author? The publisher? The sponsor(s)?

What are the author's credentials? (subject expertise)

What kind of authority does the author have? (eyewitness, societal position)

Is the source peer-reviewed?

A - Accuracy

Is the information in this source supported by other sources you've found?

Does the author provide citations and references?

P - Purpose

Why does this information exist? How do you know?

Does the source have a sponsor(s)? How was this research paid for?

Do you detect any bias in the source? How do you know?

Is this source mostly fact or mostly opinion?