WEBSITE EVALUATION WORKSHEET

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Authority and Authorship

Who is the author? ____________________________________________  ☐ Can’t Tell.

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Currency

When was it last updated? __________________________________________  ☐ Can’t Tell.

How current are the links? Have some expired or moved? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Objectivity

What is the purpose of the page? ☐ Inform ☐ Persuade ☐ Sell ☐ Can’t Tell.

Can you tell what the author’s opinion or point of view is? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what is it? ____________________________________________

Accuracy

Does the page present consistent information? ☐ Yes ☐ Mostly ☐ No

Is the page well edited? (free of spelling and grammar errors) ☐ Yes ☐ No

Does the information seem complete? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Final Analysis

Do you think this page presents reliable and accurate information? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you think your instructor would want you to use this page for your research? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Why? ____________________________________________________________