Website Approval Checklist

Check	Look for
Relevance	Scan through or conduct a "FIND" search (Ctrl-F) using one of your keywords or phrases and note how often it appears. If it only appears once or twice, maybe this website is not as relevant as another website might be.
Scan or Skim Can I read this?	 Scan or skim the text to check if you can read and understand parts of the text. Scanning or skimming means reading quickly through the first, middle and end sentences in a 1-2 paragraphs, or jumping from word to word or phrase to phrase to check if you can read most of the words and phrases.
	 If you're not able to read or understand, slow down and try again. If you're still not able to read or understand, then leave this source.
	 Go to another source in your search results and scan/skim the text.

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If you are able to read the text, ask if this text answers or relates to your research questions.
 If you think it does, ask if this is a credible author or site.
 Is the site published by an established news reporter or organization with an established and respected reputation?
 What appears to be the purpose of the site? Is it to inform, persuade or sell a product or idea?
 Is the information current enough?
 You may need some teacher help to advise you.

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Check with your teacher before you record a site and bookmark	If you think the source is credible, then confirm with your teacher to bookmark the site in your browser and also record the web address.
Repeat checklist steps with review if it's a suitable source	Save or bookmark each website URL or any other source you come across to quickly cite your research.