### The CRAAP Test

Are your sources crappy or not? You can use this scoring sheet to find out.

**30 points possible. Need at least 22.5 points (75%) to pass.**

| Currency | 1. [0 points] My topic requires information that is less than:  
|          | a. 1 year old  
|          | b. 5 years old  
|          | c. 10 years old  
|          | d. No date limit/doesn’t matter  
|          | 2. [6 points] What year was the information published, posted, or last updated?  
|          | a. If answer fits criteria from question 1 = 6 points  
|          | b. If can’t tell = 0 points |
| Relevance | 1. How many usable quotes did you find?  
|           | a. I found three quotes that I could use in my paper = 3 points  
|           | b. I found two quotes that I could use in my paper = 1.5 points  
|           | c. There were no usable quotes = 0 points  
|           | 2. Do you think you could explain the information in this source to someone else?  
|           | a. I can explain the whole thing = 6 points  
|           | b. I can explain half of the source = 3 points  
|           | c. I only understand certain sentences = 0 points |
| Authority | 1. The author/publisher/source/sponsor of this information is:  
|           | a. A real person(s) (first and last name) = 3 points  
|           | b. A real organization (government, business, institution) = 3 points  
|           | c. Username or pseudonym = 0 points  
|           | d. Can’t tell = 0 points  
|           | 2. The author is:  
|           | a. Very qualified to write on this topic and has formal training = 3 points  
|           | b. Qualified to write on the topic, but has no formal training = 1.5 points  
|           | c. Not qualified to write on the topic and has no formal training / can’t tell = 0 points |
| Accuracy | 1. Does the author cite other experts?  
|          | a. Yes = 3 points  
|          | b. No = 0 points  
|          | 2. Does this information have spelling, grammar, or typographical errors?  
|          | a. Yes = 0 points  
|          | b. No = 3 points |
| Purpose | 1. The main purpose of this information is to:  
|          | a. Provide facts or teach something = 2 points  
|          | b. Sell something = 0 points  
|          | c. Provide entertainment = 0 points  
|          | 2. Does the author make the intention or purpose of this information clear?  
|          | a. Yes = 1 point  
|          | b. No = 0 points |