Research

- Finding Quality sources of information.
- Your paper is only as good as the information that you put in it.

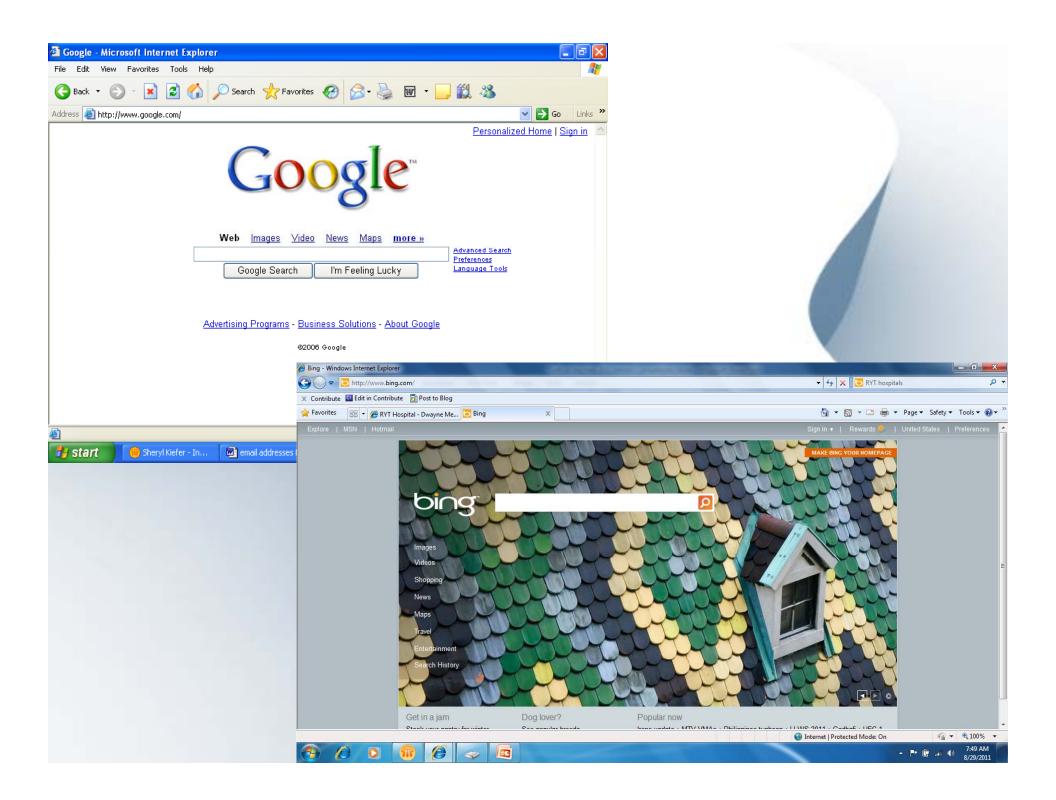
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Truth on the Web?

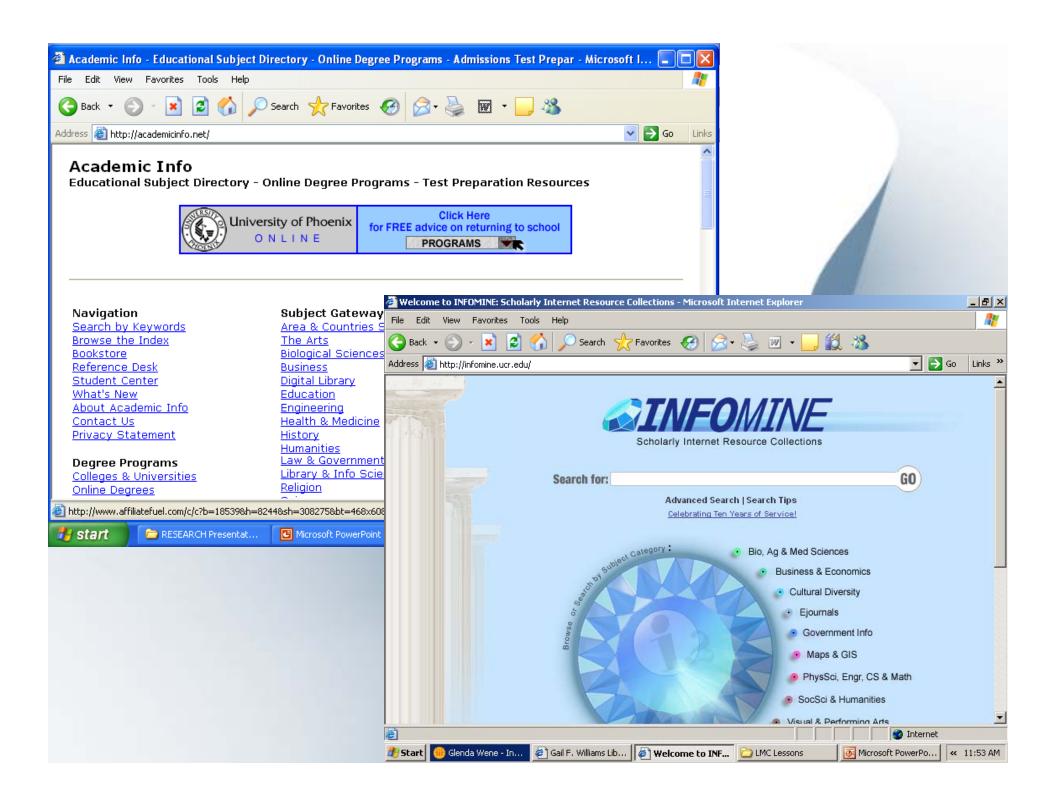
Truth on the Visible Web?

Visible web:

the part of the web that is searchable by a search engine, meta search engine, or subject directories







Using Resources on the ree web

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

- Credibility authorship
- Accuracy mistakes, errors whether intentional or not
- Objectivity point of view; bias
- Currency —date of page

CREDIBILITY

- Author should be stated up front.
- Anonymous articles are very suspicious.
- Author's credentials should be stated and verified.

RealPlayer



In Defense of Whales

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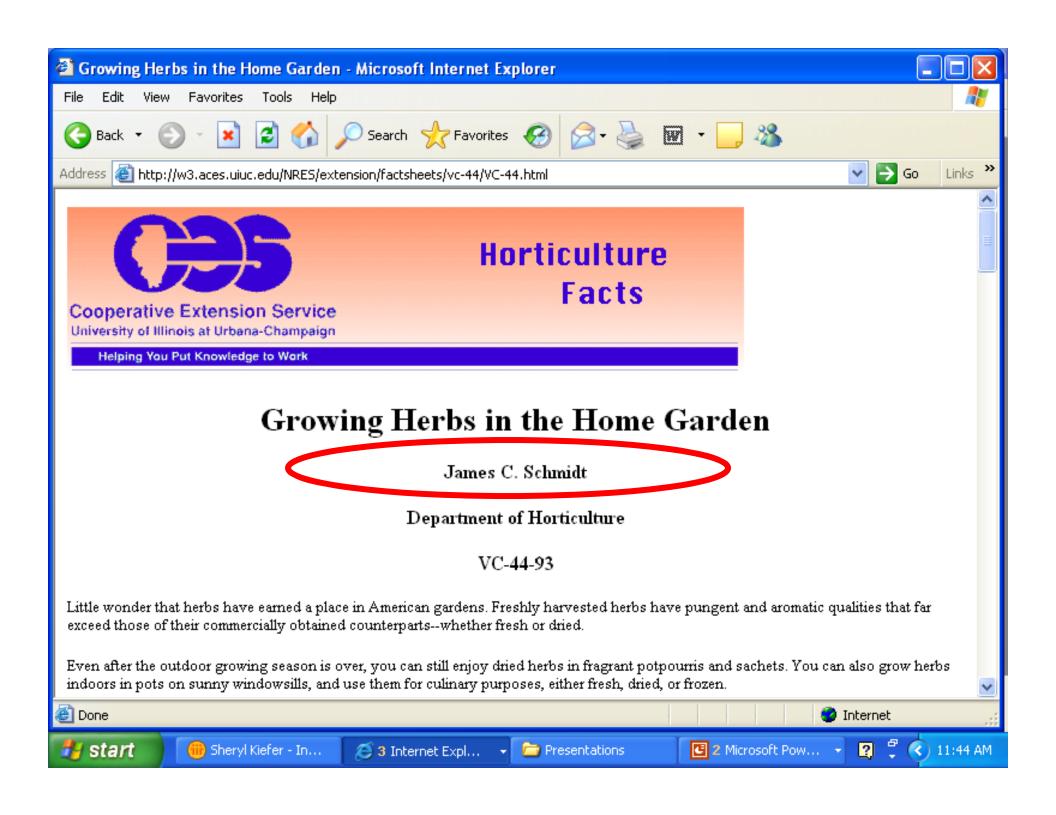
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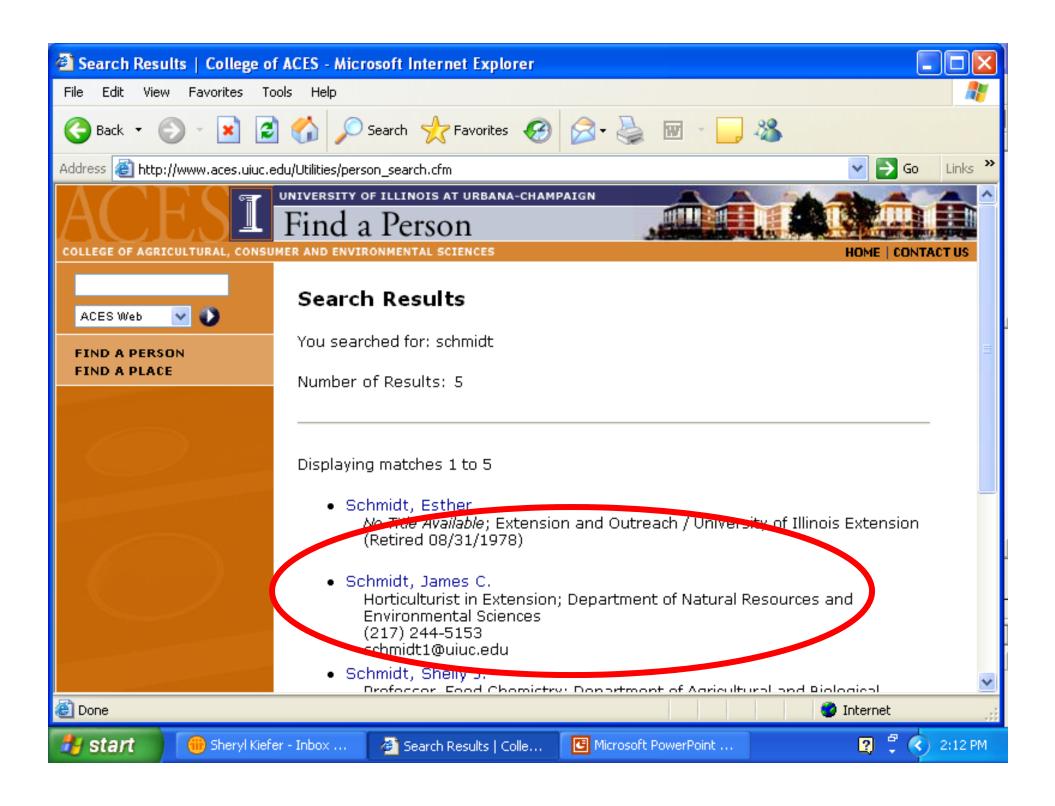
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BY KENNY

Sea Defense Alliance is still on the scene near Neah Bay, WA. After ten wi being here and safely escorting many gray whales through the Makah hunt grounds, the whalers finally got lucky. A juvenile whale on her way north lagoons of Baja, where she surely got a lot of positive attention from huma trust violated when she swam under the whalers canoe. Instead of getting attention that she was looking for, a harpoon was rammed in her back.







URL: hints at authorship and reliability

.com=commercial

.biz=business

.edu=education

.ac=education

.gov=U.S. government

.mil=U.S. military

.org=organization

.net=Internet service

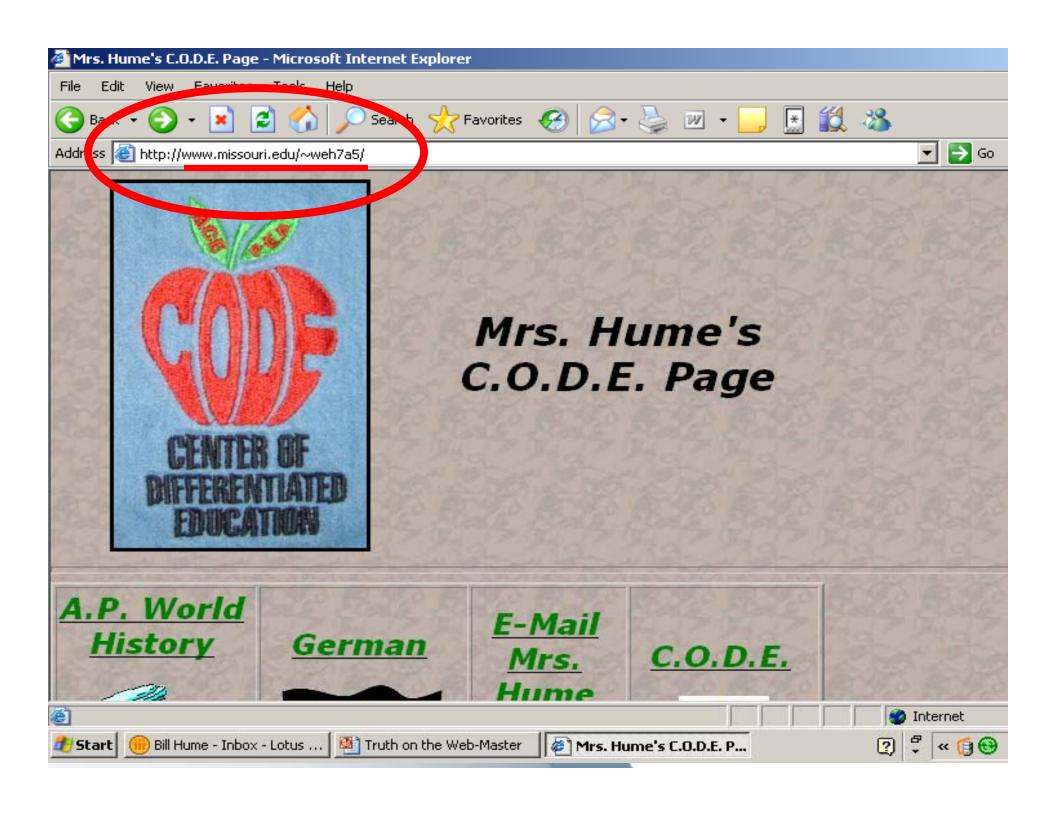
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Be aware of **BIAS!**



Be Wary of Blogs



http://www.gwbush.com

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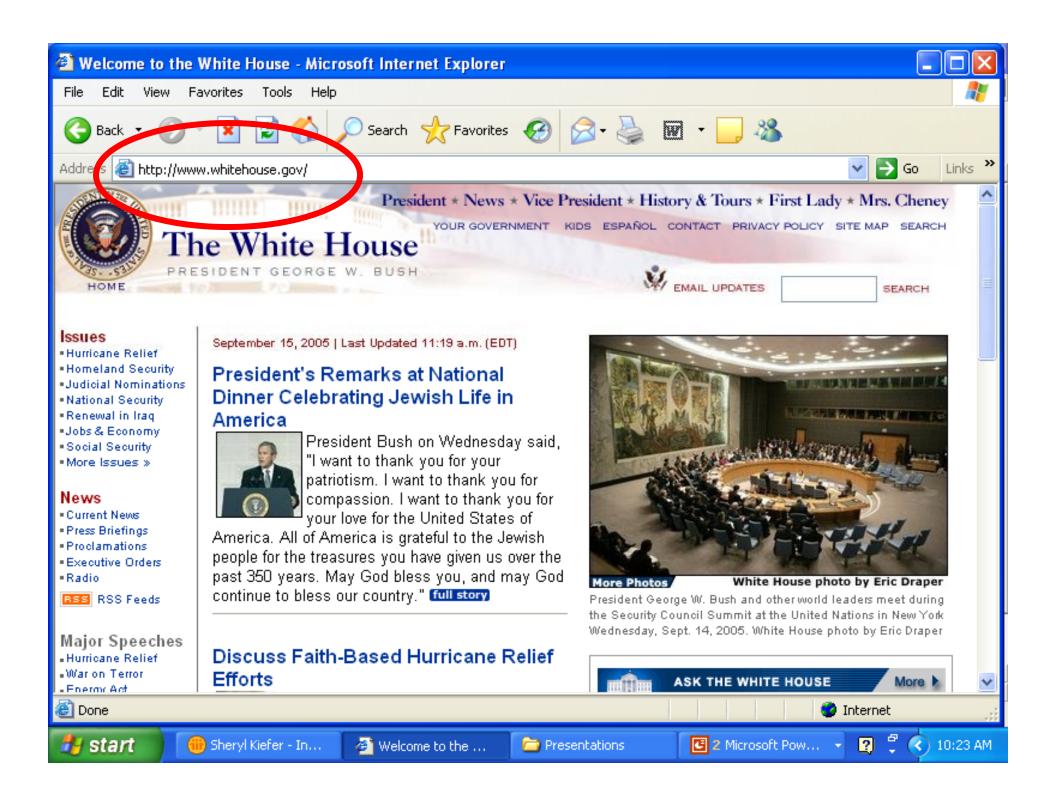
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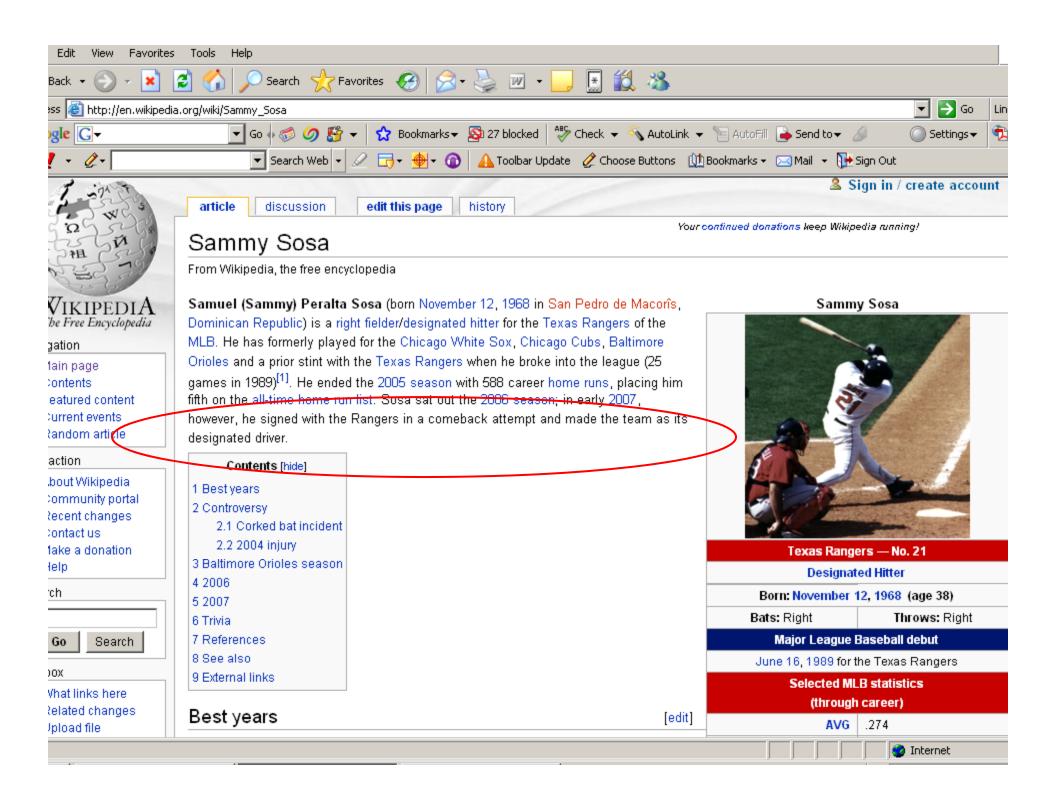
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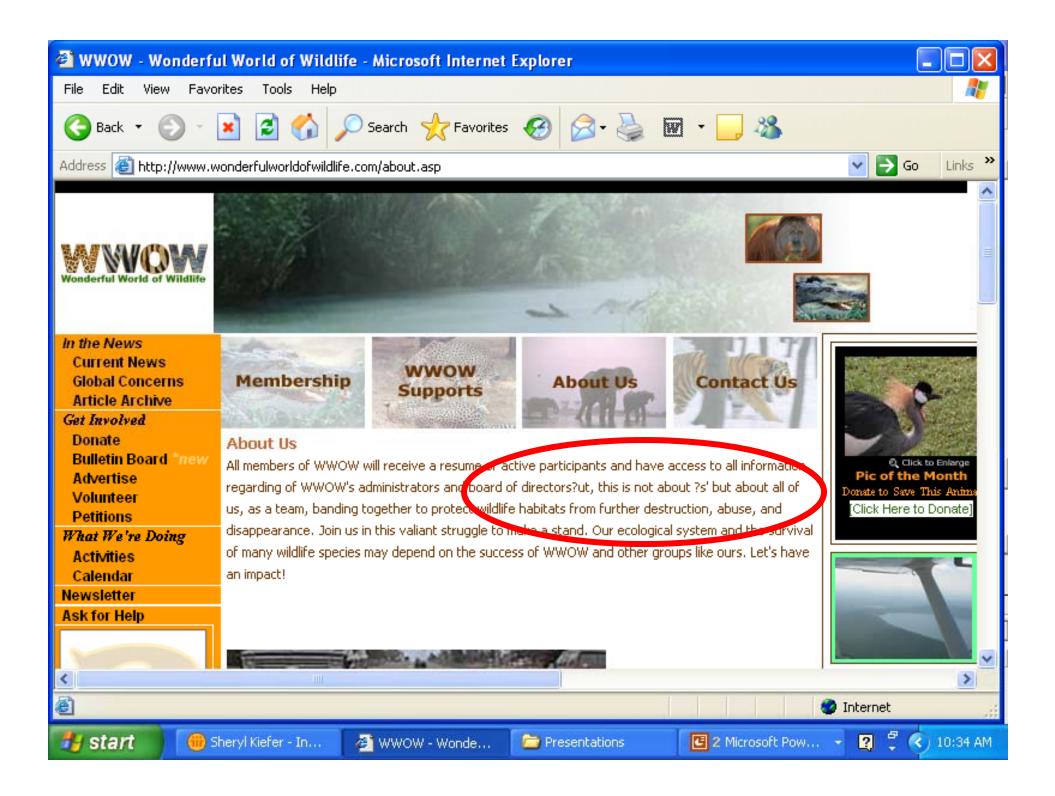
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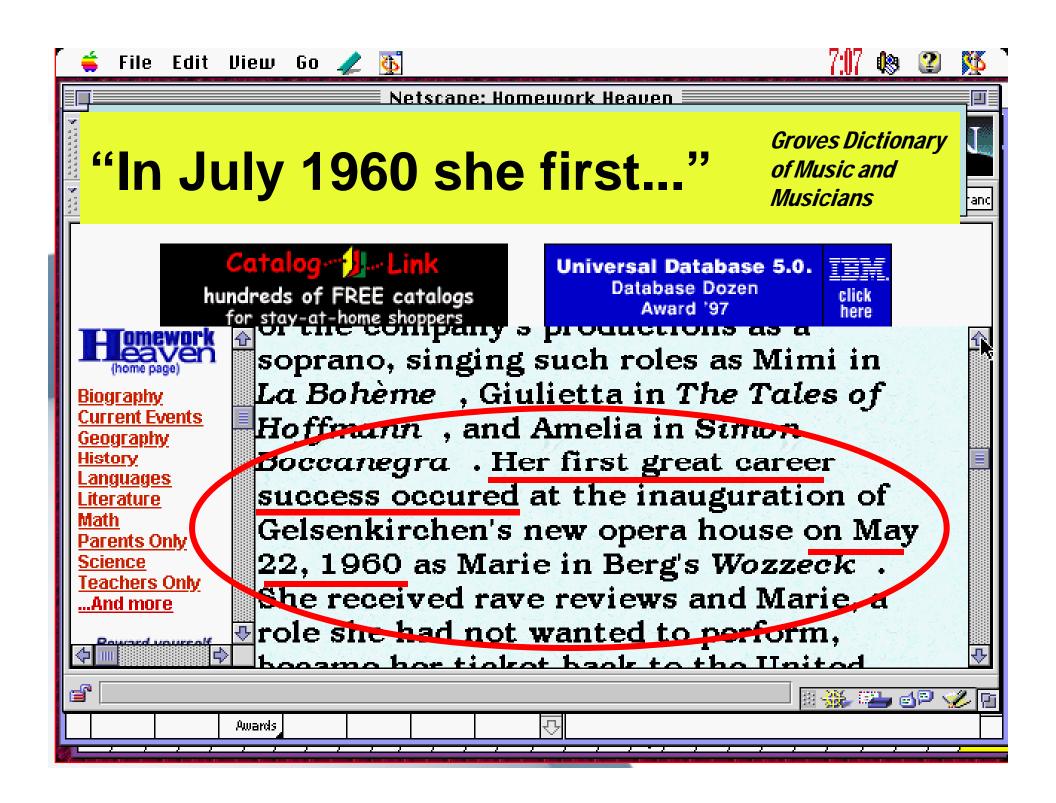


ACCURACY

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- •Poor punctuation, capitalization?
- Statistics should be verified.





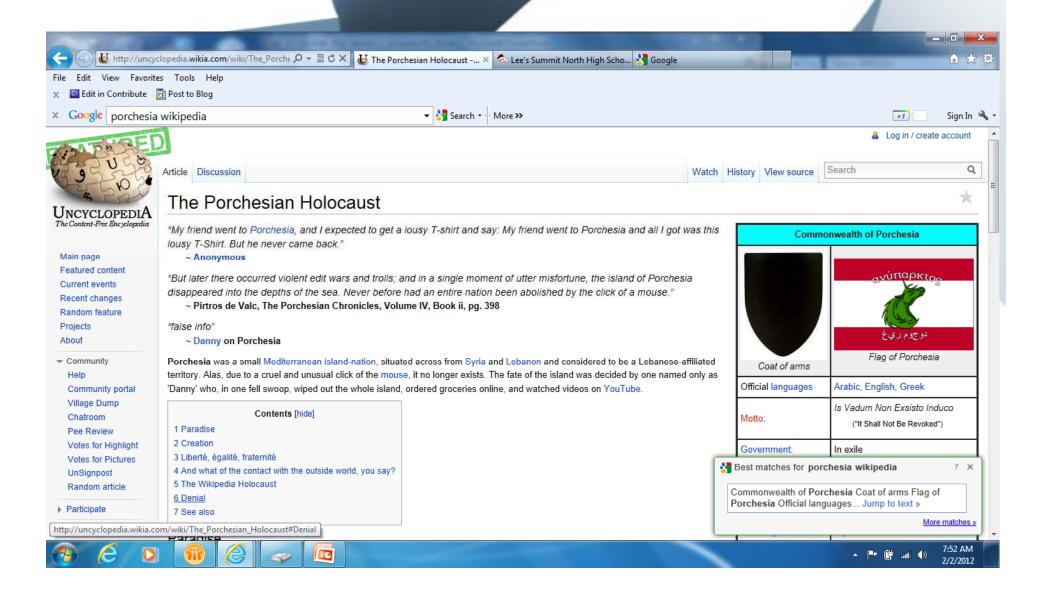


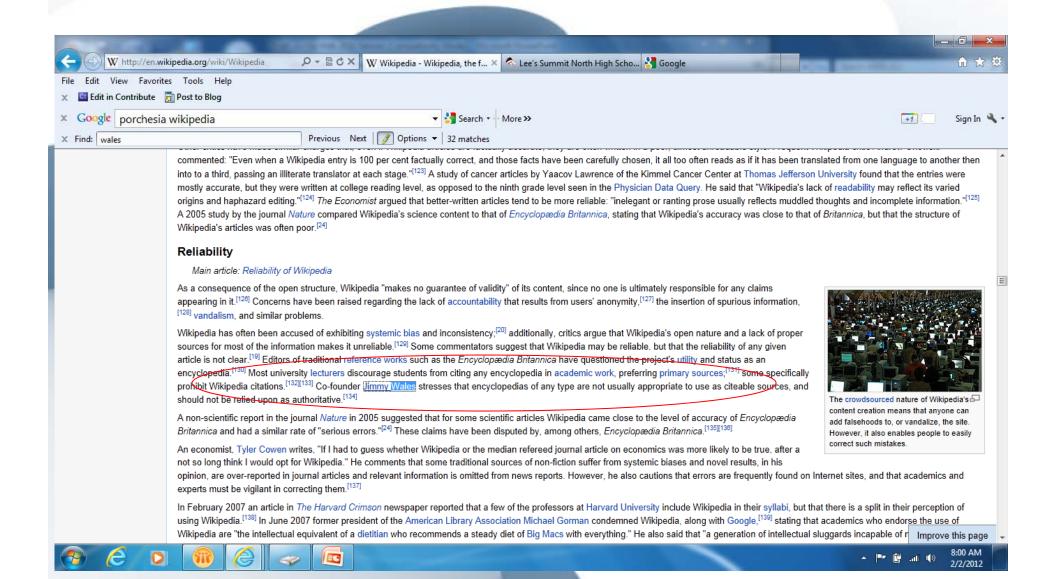
"Spoof" Websites

- RYT Hospitals
- Pets or Food.com

 Need to be cautious about where the information is coming from.

Wikipedia





OBJECTIVITY

• Is there a clear or hidden bias?



Communicator Help



















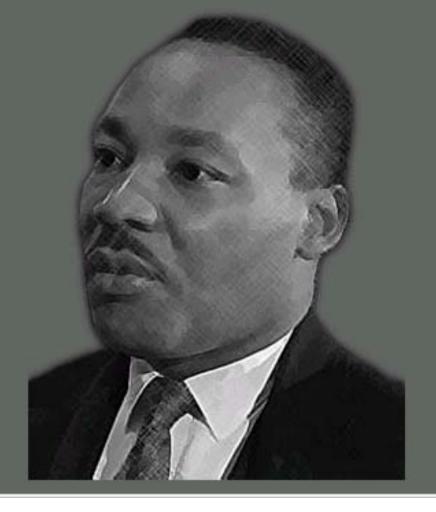


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www.martinlutherking.org

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Historical Writings
Essays, Sermons, Speeches & More

Truth About King
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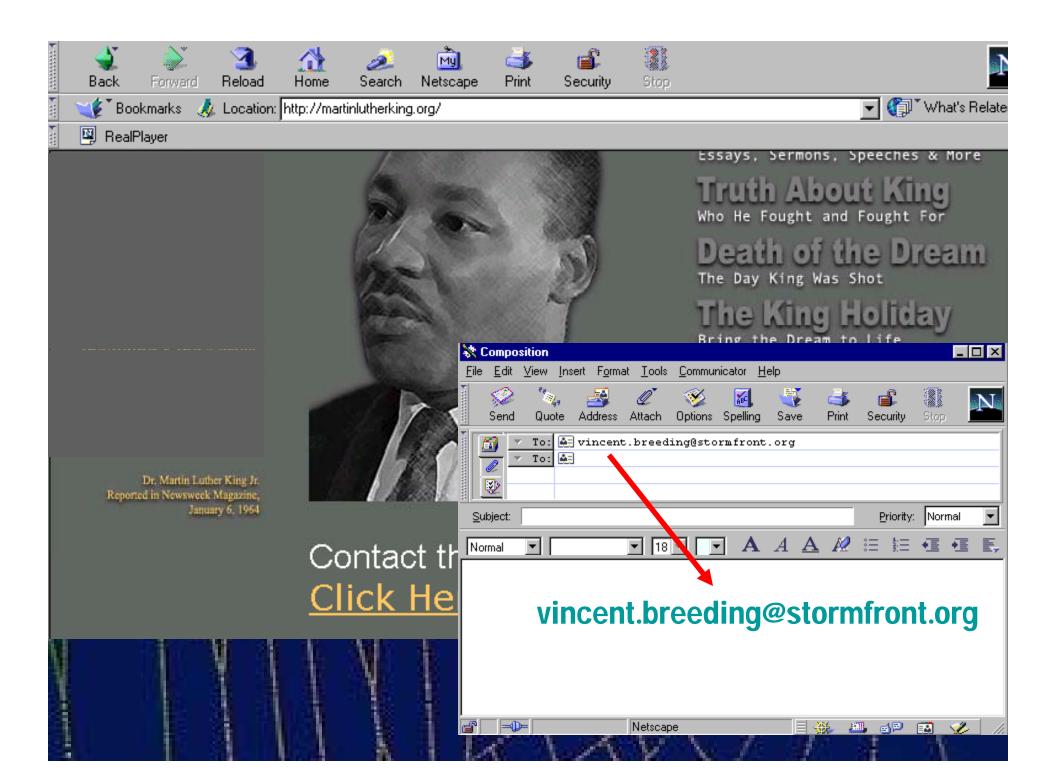
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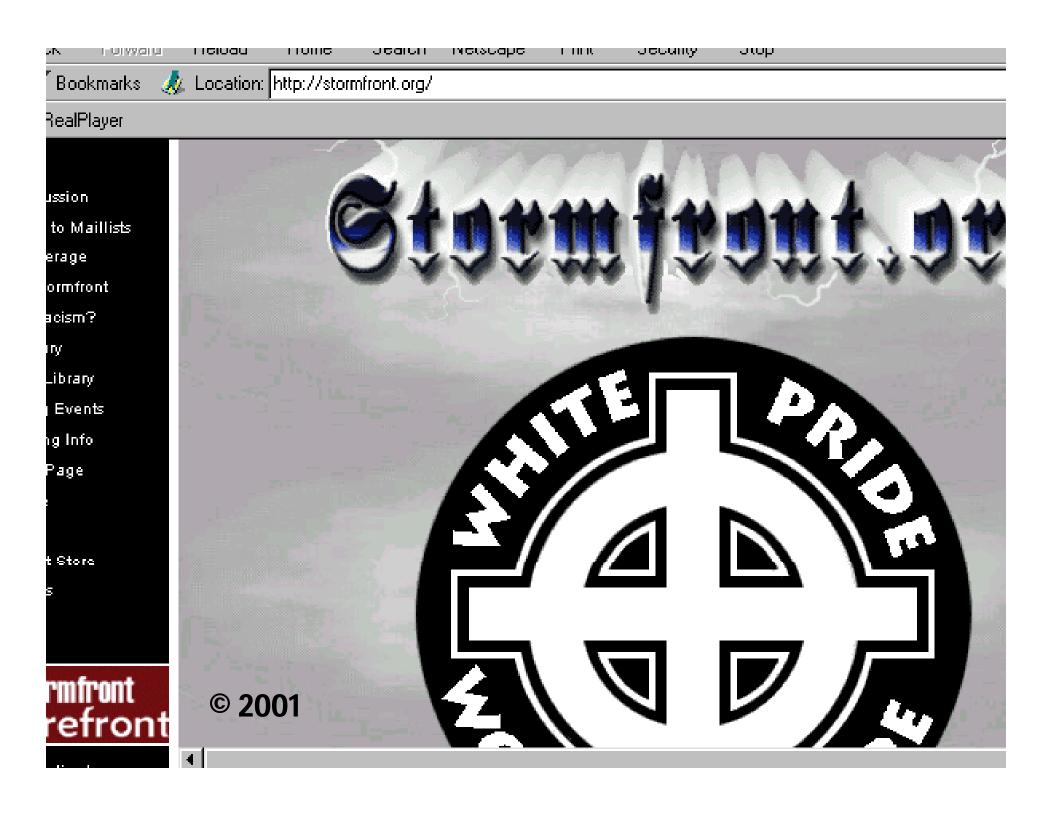
Civil Rights Library
History of People and Events

Jews & Civil Rights
Who Led The Civil Rights Movement

Suggested Books

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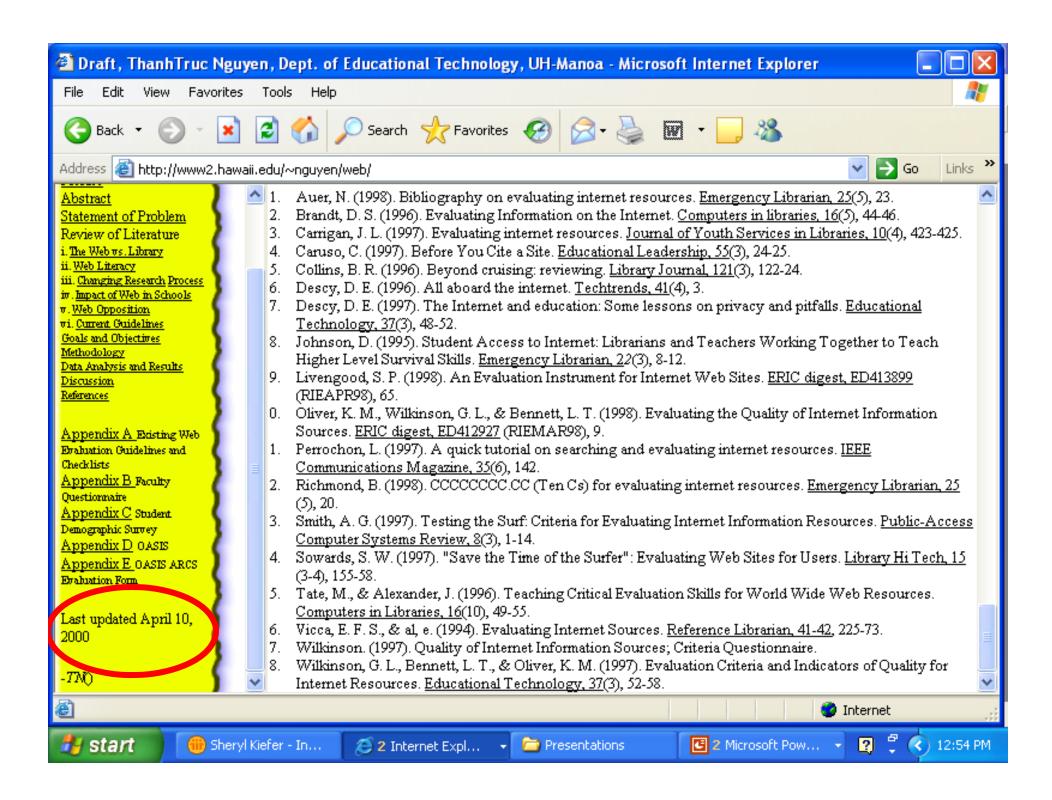


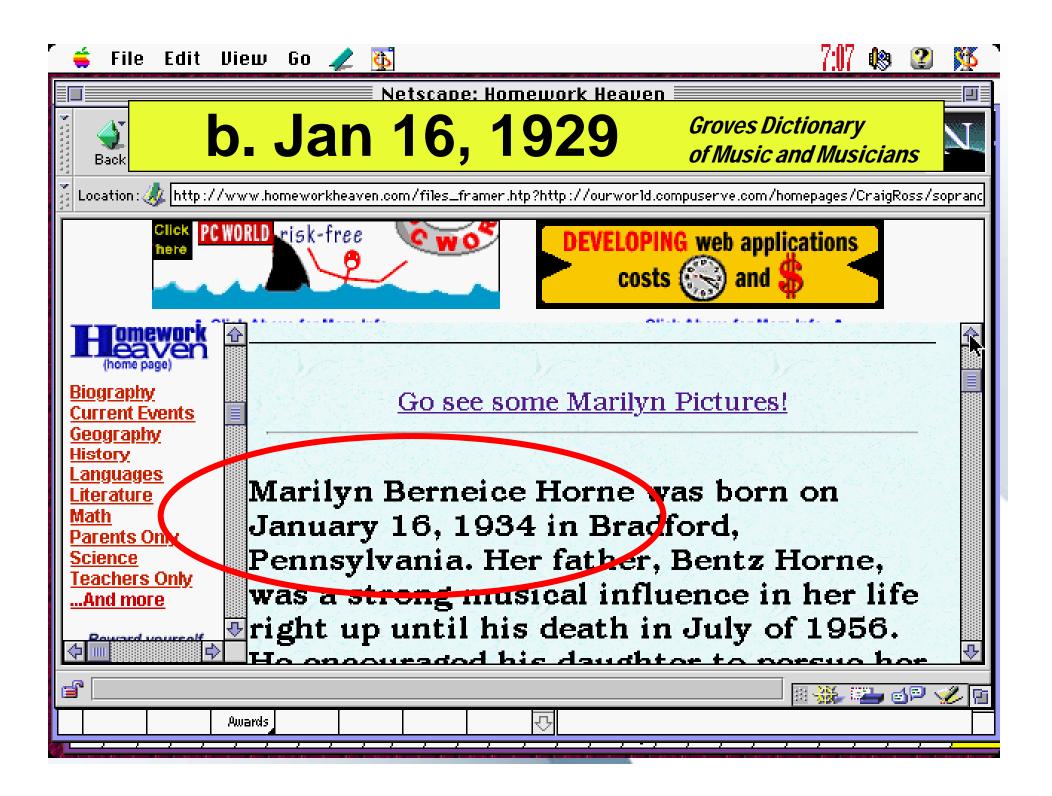
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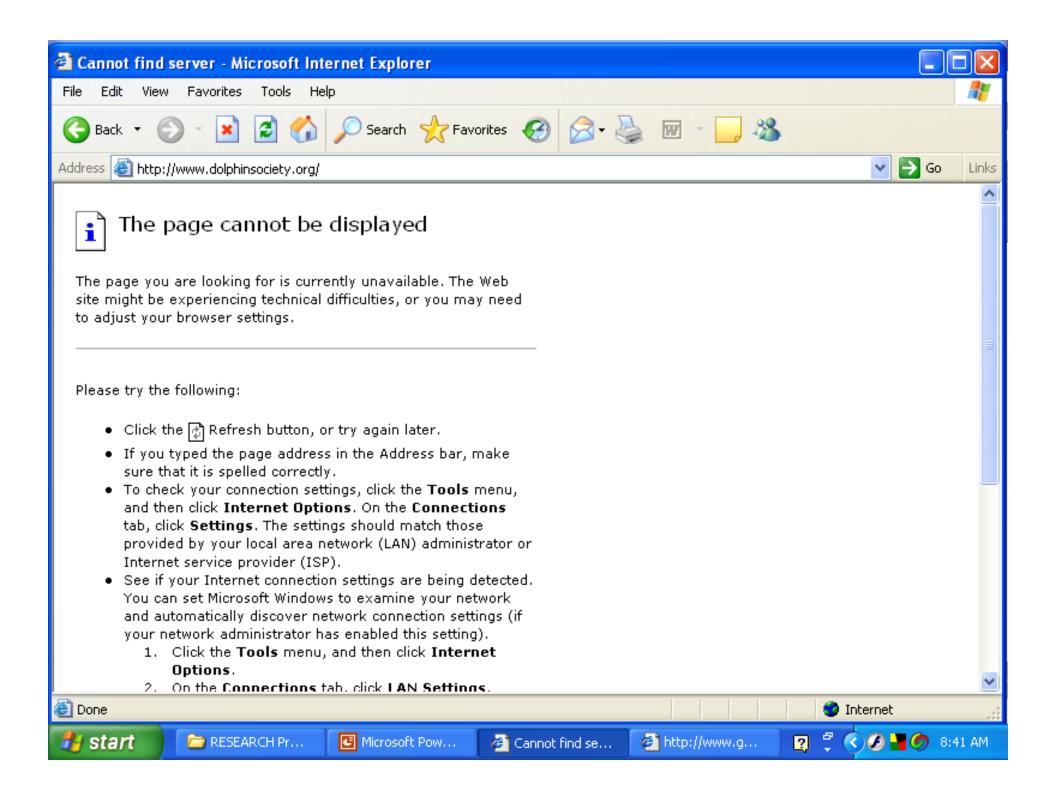
- National Right to Life
- ProChoice America

CURRENCY

- •Is there a date on the page?
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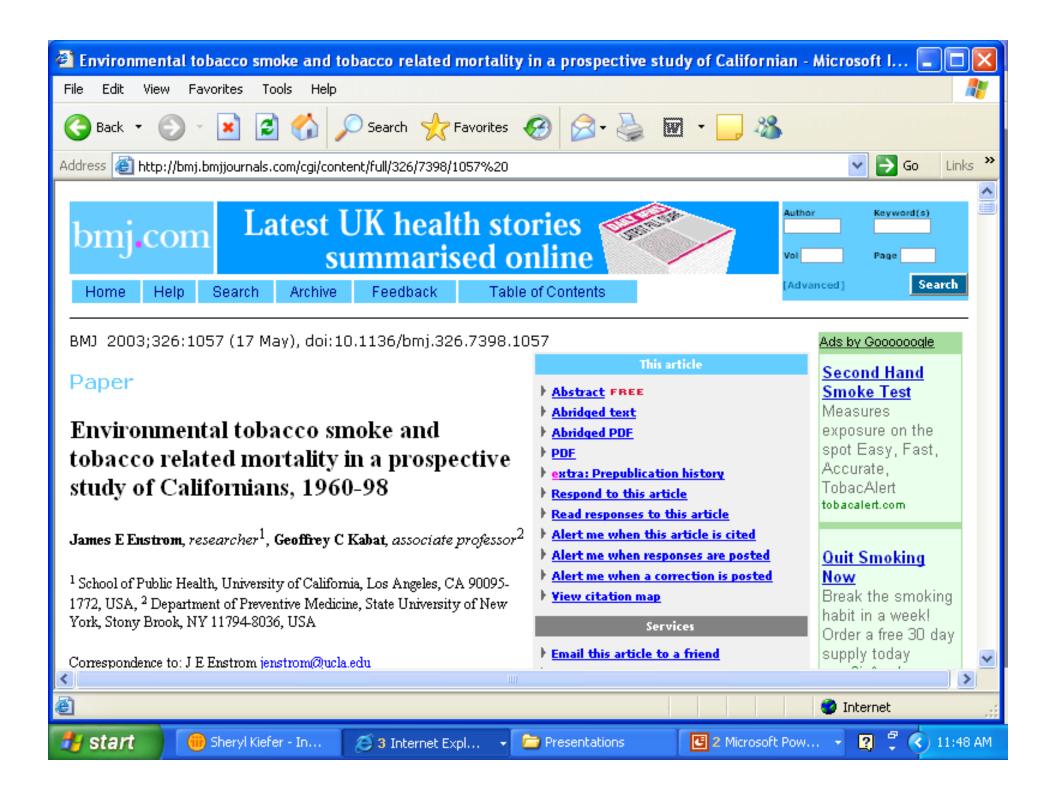
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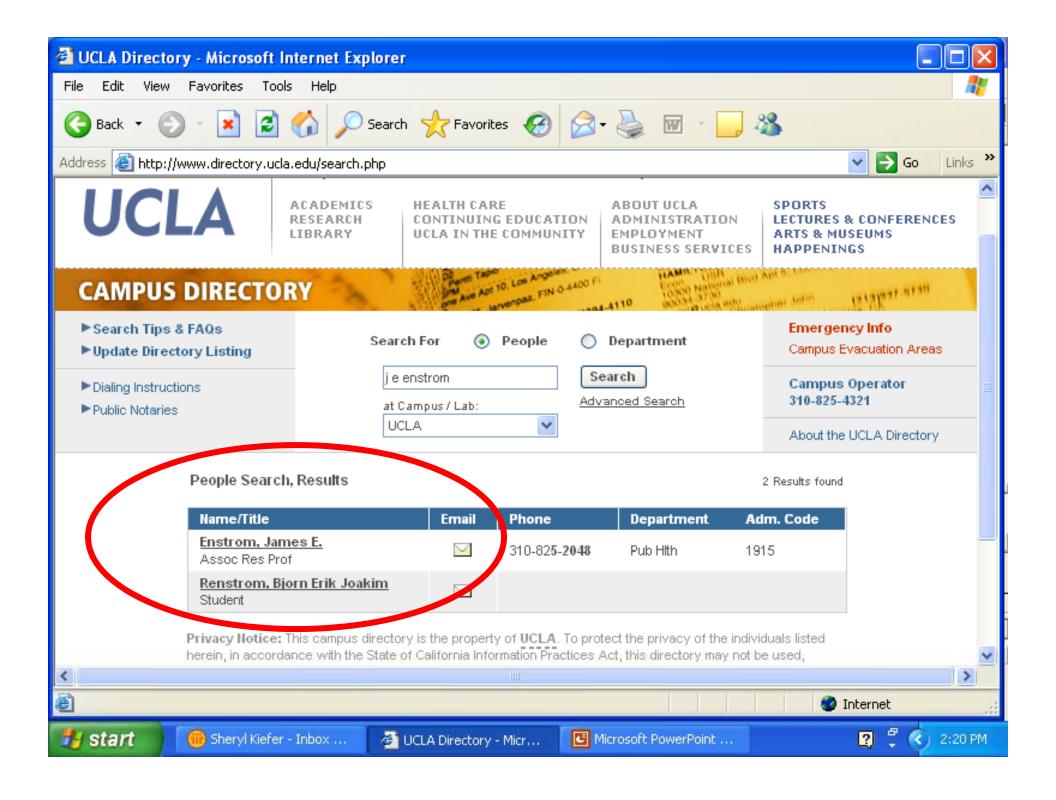
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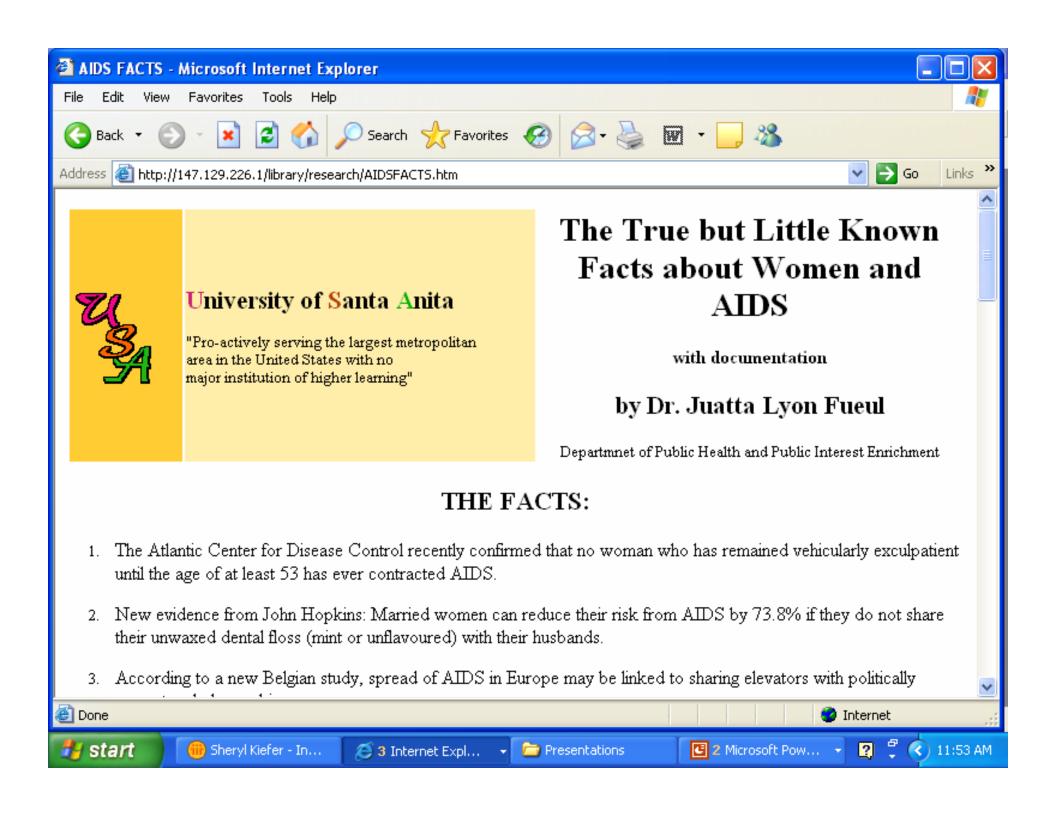
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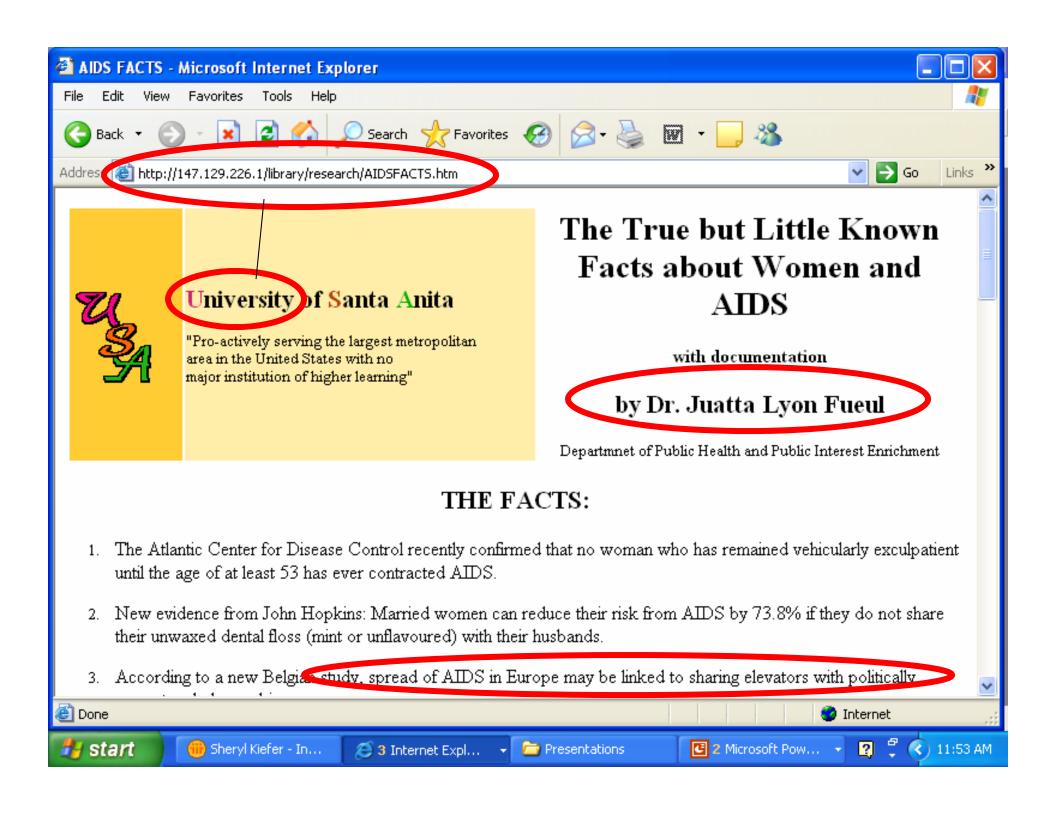
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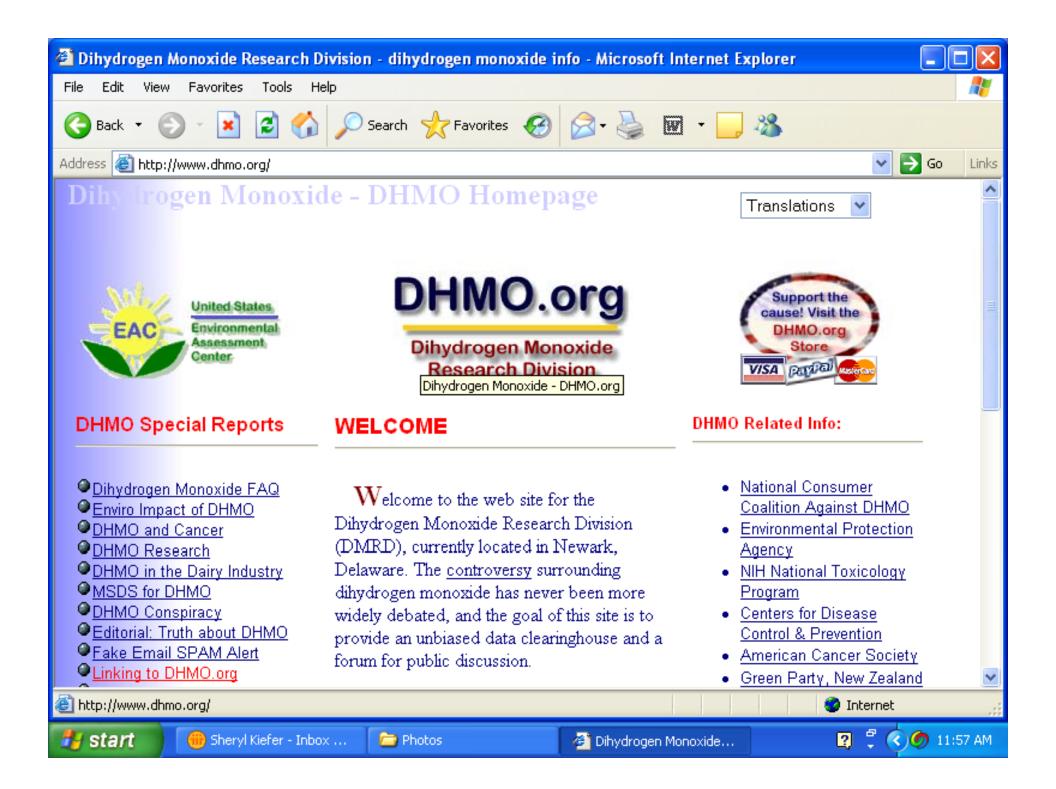
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- •What should you check?

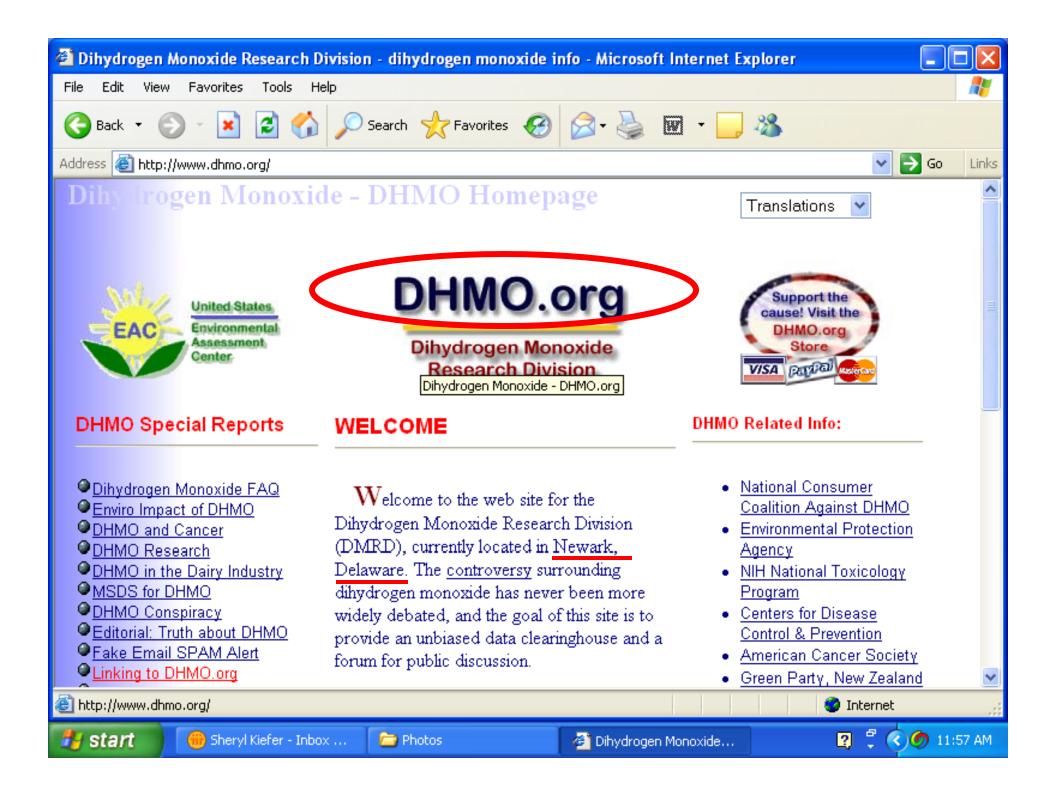








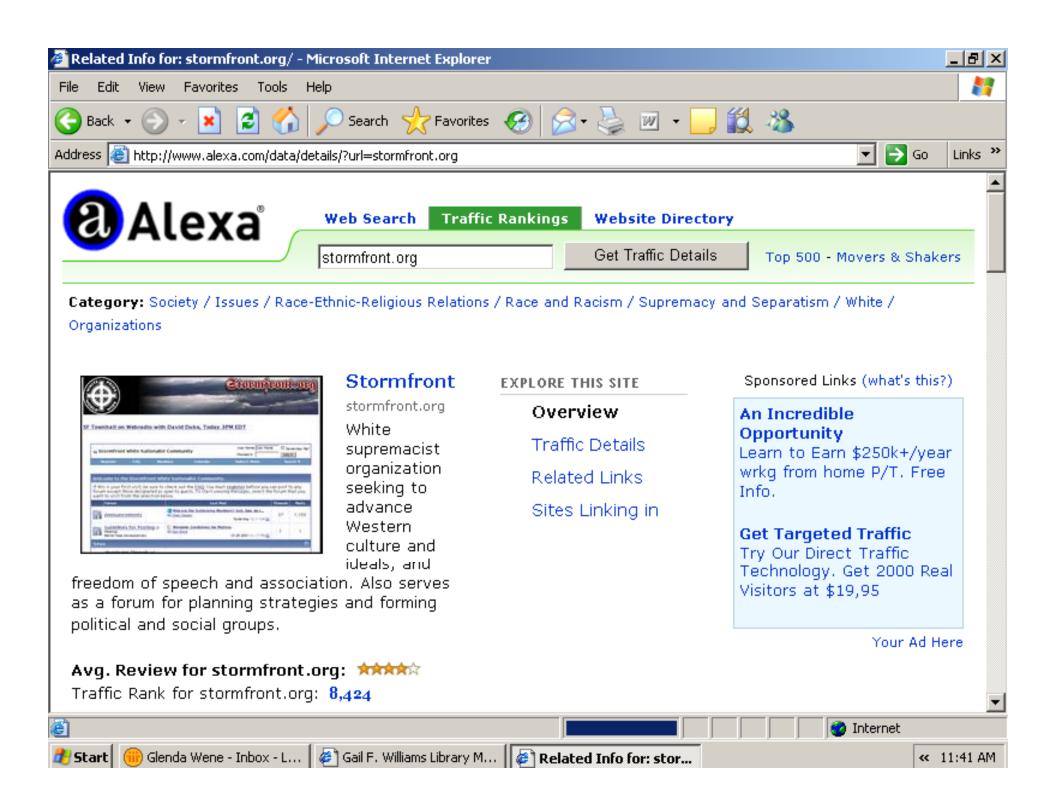


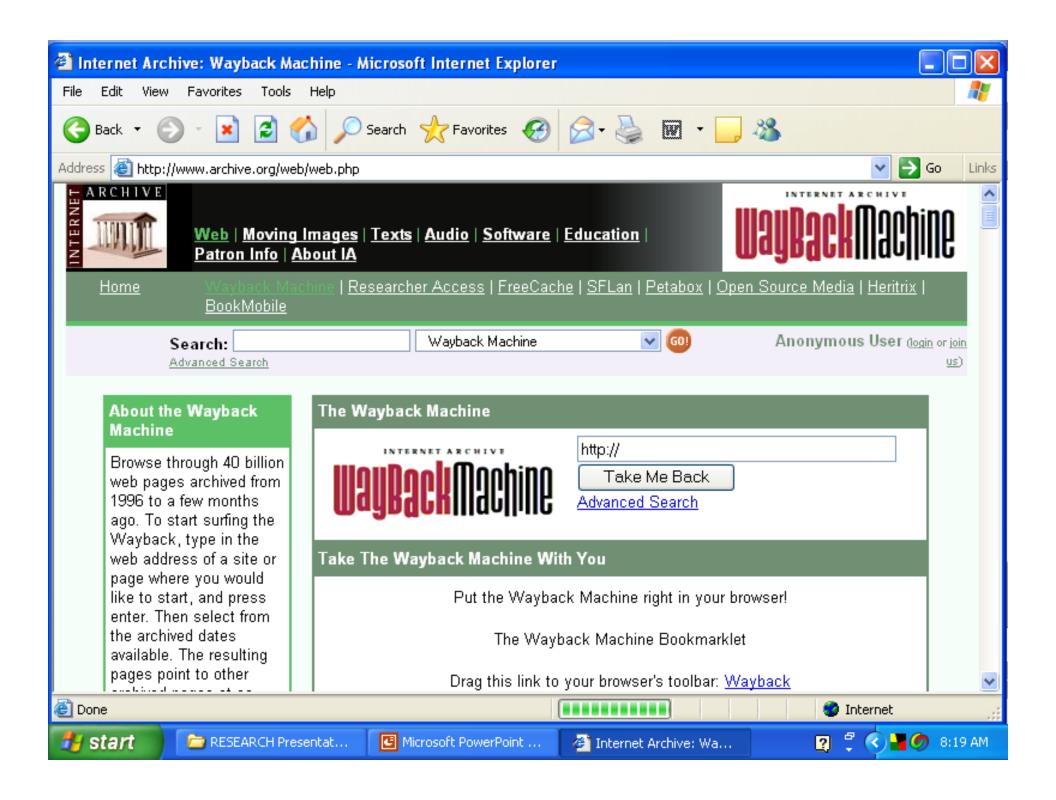


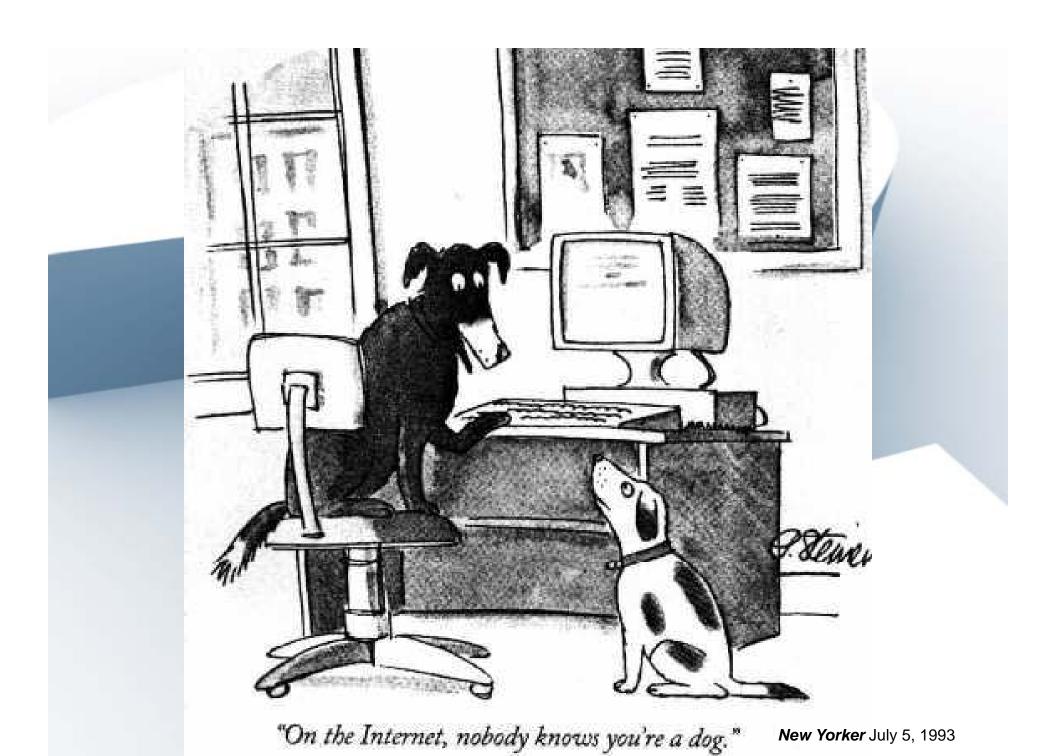
WEB TOOLS

•alexa.com – who is responsible for the site

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REMEMBER

Question sources

Use common sense

Verify information