



Research & Citing Sources

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 5

Part A: Multiple Choice

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- C) Website A because it has a credible author and likely current information
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- B) Recording the author and title of every source you use
- C) Copying a sentence from a website and forgetting to add quotation marks
- D) Paraphrasing a paragraph in your own words with a citation

4. Why should a student avoid using only one source for an entire research project?

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- B) A single source may have errors or a limited viewpoint
- C) Teachers only accept reports with pictures from multiple sites
- D) Using one source makes the report too short to read

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the correct answer on each line.

1. A website with a .org domain is run by an _____ and may still have a specific viewpoint.

2. An outdated source may contain information that is no longer _____.

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