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Research Game Plan

➤ Gathering Information: Who do I trust?

No matter your media source - website, documentary, map, work of art, dictionary, newspaper, etc. - it must be trustworthy. Ask the following questions to decide if your chosen source is trustworthy, or not!

- What is the date of the source?**
- If older source, is there newer information about this topic?**
- Have you compared older and newer findings?**
- Who is the author/creator of the source?**
- What makes the author/creator an expert on this topic?**
- Who published this information?**
- Is the publisher/producer/editor biased in any way?**
- If biased, have you compared the point of view in this source with another?**
- Is there evidence to support the point of view expressed in the source?**
- Is the evidence cited by the author/creator/publisher?**
- Can you find the same evidence in other sources?**
- What is the author's/creator's/publisher's purpose? To inform? To outrage?**