Handout #2: A Rubric for Analysis

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| Aspects to Consider | Questions to Ask | Notes |
| Authority  | * Who is the author?
* Is he or she reputable? expert?
* Does the information provide references?
* Are there unbiased, reputable organizations affiliated with the site or author?
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| Type of Source | * How would you categorize the source (e.g., academic, commercial, governmental)?
* What is the purpose of the site (to educate, convince, sell)?
* Can you corroborate the facts stated on the site with other (unbiased) sources?
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| Timeliness | * How recent is the information presented?
* Has the information been recently updated?
* Is the publication date available?
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| Objectivity | * Is the author’s purpose clear?
* Do any points of view or opinions reflect bias?
* Are opinions or assumptions presented as facts?
* Are facts presented corroborated by other (unbiased) sources?
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