Conducting Internet Research

Media Investigations

The Internet is one of the most widely used research tools available today. Most major news organizations have their own Web sites on which they reproduce news stories. Some media outlets are now available entirely online. Official organizations and lobbying groups also produce information online. To be a critical Internet user, it is important to seek out Web sites that you can confirm are reliable and that are the most useful for your purposes. Examine the results page from a Web search engine below and answer the questions that follow.

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1. Based on the Web site results, which links offer the most up-to-date information? How can you be sure?

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2. Which Web belongs to a news organization? How could you confirm that this is a reliable source?

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3. For what types of research do you think the Web site of a news organization would be more useful than that of a government agency?

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