

To figure out if an online source is trustworthy, it is essential to consider various factors such as the author's credibility and the publication date, and cross-reference information from multiple reliable sources.

## Fill in the Blank: Fill in the blank with the correct words.

1. Always check the \_\_\_ of the author before trusting the information.
2. One way to verify an online source is by looking at the \_\_\_ of the information.
3. It is important to consider if the website has any \_\_\_ before using it as a source.
4. Cross-\_\_ information from different sources to confirm its accuracy.
5. Be cautious of websites that have a lot of \_\_\_ or exaggerated claims.

**Word bank:** credibility, biases, sources, reference, date

## Multiple Choice Questions: Choose the correct answer.

1. What should you examine to determine the credibility of an author?  
**A)** Website design  
**B)** Social media likes  
**C)** Author's background  
**D)** Publication date
2. Why is it important to check the publication date of an online source?  
**A)** To see how many ads it has  
**B)** To confirm the accuracy of the information  
**C)** To compare with other websites  
**D)** To learn about the author's hobbies
3. Why is cross-referencing information from different sources essential?  
**A)** To find the shortest source  
**B)** To verify the accuracy  
**C)** To create a bibliography  
**D)** To copy-paste information

4. What should you be cautious of when evaluating online sources?
  - A) Websites with typos
  - B) Websites with pop-up ads
  - C) Websites with conflicting information
  - D) Websites with a lot of white space
5. Which of the following is a red flag that something is an unreliable online source?
  - A) Authors with expertise in the field
  - B) Recent publication date
  - C) Unbiased reporting
  - D) Sensational headlines

**Open-Ended Questions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences.**

1. Why is it important to consider the biases of an author when evaluating an online source?
2. Explain the significance of checking multiple sources before trusting information found online.
3. How can you ensure that the information you find online is reliable and trustworthy?

**Answer Key:**

**Fill in the Blank:**

1. credibility
2. date
3. biases
4. reference
5. biases

**Multiple Choice Questions:**

1. C) Author's background
2. B) To confirm the accuracy of the information
3. B) To verify the accuracy
4. C) Websites with conflicting information
5. D) Sensational headlines

## Open-Ended Questions:

1. It is important to consider the biases of an author to understand if their viewpoint may affect the information's objectivity and credibility.
2. Checking multiple sources helps verify information's accuracy, find potential biases, and ensure a more comprehensive understanding of the topic.
3. To ensure information online is reliable, it is crucial to evaluate the author's credentials, cross-reference content with other trustworthy sources, and verify the information's accuracy.