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**CRITICAL EVALUATION OF A WEB SITE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LEVEL**

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<http://school.discoveryeducation.com/schrockguide/evalelem.html>

1. How are you hooked to the Internet?

\_\_\_ Modem and phone line

\_\_\_ Direct (cable, fiber, or DSL) connection at school/home

2. What Web browser are you using? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What is the URL (address) of the Web page you are using?

http:// \_\_\_\_\_

4. What is the name of the site?

\_\_\_\_\_

<b>Part 1: How does it look?</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>As you look at the questions below, put an X in the "yes" or "no" column for each.</b>		
Does the page take a long time to load?		
Are there big pictures on the page?		
Is the spelling correct on the page?		
Is the author's name and e-mail address on the page?		
Is there a picture on the page that you can use to choose links? (Image map)		
Is there information in columns on the page? (Table)		
If you go to another page, is there a way to get back to the first page?		
Is there a date that tells you when the page was made?		
If there are photographs, do they look real?		
If there are sounds, do they sound real?		

<b>Part 2: What did you learn?</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>As you look at the questions below, put an X in the “yes” or “no” column for each.</b>		
Does the title of the page tell you what it is about?		
Is there an introduction on the page telling you what is included?		
Are the facts on the page what you were looking for?		
Would you have gotten more information from an encyclopedia or online database?		
Would the information have been more useful in the encyclopedia or database?		
Does the author of the page say some things you disagree with?		
Does the page lead you to some other good information (links)?		
Does the page include information you know is wrong?		
Do the pictures and photographs on the page help you learn?		

<b>Part 3: Summary</b>
<b>Looking at all of the questions and answers above, write a paragraph telling why this Web site is helpful (or not helpful) for your project.</b>