Identifying the best source of information

Work sheet

Purpose

Knowing the purpose of your assignment my help you determine what source of information to use. Is your project to _____persuade? _____defend? _____explain? _____ compare? _____amuse? _____analyze? _____describe?

Outline

Preparing an outline of your project will also help you focus and direct your search for information.

The environment

a. Ecology –Definition
b. Environmental abuses
    i. Examples
    ii. Causes
    iii. Solutions
c. Responsibility

Now that you have a good understanding of your topic and its purpose, it is time to determine the best source of information.

Will it be:

_____Books => search the School Library Catalog or the Public Library Catalog

_____Online Database => Use the Online databases handout and read the description of the online

databases that best suit your purpose

_____Internet => You must evaluate the websites used.

The handout provided by the T-L can be useful.

Check the following link to the University of Alberta on Critically Analyzing Websites.

http://guides.library.ualberta.ca/content.php?pid=51536&sid=392879

_____Article in a periodical   => Check CPIQ, Middle Search Plus, Canadian Reference Centre on the

District Online Databases

_____Encyclopedia online=> Worldbook, Encyclopedia of BC, Funk & Wagnalls New World

Encyclopedia,

Country Reports or Gale Virtual Reference Library.

_____Government site =>		http://www.canada.gc.ca/home.html

_____Statistics => go on:

BC Stats		http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/Home.aspx

Stats Canada	http://www.statcan.gc.ca/

Census Canada		http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/index-eng.cfm

_____Maps =>

MapQuest		http://www.mapquest.ca/

Google Maps

_____World Atlas	http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/africa/bw.htm

_____Images =>

Flickr		http://www.flickr.com/

Google Images		http://www.google.ca/imghp?hl=en&tab=wi

_____Video streaming => Go to SD36 Online databases and select Video Streaming

_____The Surrey Public Library will also have print and non-print material as well as online databases

that are different from what we have. Check what they have at:

http://www.surreylibraries.ca/