**Part 1: Sources / Tools**

**Learning Outcomes**
- Identify differences between various source types
- Decode which tool to use when accessing specific source types

**Traditional Sources**
- Newspapers, government reports, academic and popular journals, books, textbooks

**Internet Sources**
- Websites, blogs, social networking, message boards, Twitter, tweetchats

**Tools**
- Search engines: Google, Ask.com, Bing, Yahoo, Yippy, Mahalo
- Library Catalogue: contains lists of current, previously published, and selected works of text and other sources

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**Part 2: Evaluating**

**Learning Outcomes**
- Describe effective strategies for critiquing online sources
- Develop and use efficient search strategies
- Identify the information and material or content found in each search tool

**Why Evaluate Websites?**
- Decide what you can trust, accept for the task, or create a website yourself
- Learn how to identify and evaluate useful information before you use it

**CRAP**
- Currency: timeliness
- Relevance: importance to your needs
- Authority: source
- Accuracy: correctness
- Purpose: reason for information

**ACT**
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- Relevance: importance to your needs
- Accuracy: correctness

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**Part 3: Searching**

**Learning Outcomes**
- Identify differences in search tools
- Develop and use efficient search strategies
- Identify the information and material or content found in each search tool

**Search Tools**
- Google
- Summon
- Databases
- Library catalogue

**Database**
- Several databases in all subject areas are available for you. Be sure you choose the one containing information on your topic area. Search for the right database for your needs from this link.

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**Part 4: Bibliographic/APA**

**Learning Outcomes**
- Identify bibliographic elements
- Find and use APA Manual (print and online), and APA research guide
- Format correctly select sources using APA citation rules

**Bibliographic Information**
- Author
- Title of book or journal
- Edition
- Publisher, place, and year of publication
- Online information
- DOI
- Version and issue
- Page number or range

**APA Writing Style**
- You must learn and use the rules of APA for writing your papers and referencing your sources. It is imperative that you avoid plagiarism.

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