Internet Assignment 3: Evaluating Web Pages

For this part of the assignment, you will be viewing a website on occupations. You will then select a website on your own and evaluate that site.


Using the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, search for an occupation. (HINT: Type your selected occupation in the SEARCH HANDBOOK box). Try to select an occupation that you are interested in pursuing following college graduation.

After your search, a screen will appear that contains results. Select the result that corresponds most closely to your career.

Here is an example of how to answer the following questions for Step 1:

What occupation did you choose?  
registered nurse

(This was entered in the search box).

Here is the link that appeared:


Mar 29, 2012 ... Registered nurses (RNs) provide and coordinate patient care, educate patients and the public about various health conditions, and provide ...

I clicked on the link to answer the following questions:

According to the results, what is the work environment for your occupation?  
Registered nurses work in hospitals, physician’s offices, home healthcare services, and nursing care facilities. They also work in correctional facilities, schools, summer camps and with the military.

According to the results, what is the job outlook for your occupation?  
The employment is expected to grow 26% from 2010 to 2020.

Please answer the following questions:

What occupation did you choose?  
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According to the results, what is the work environment for your occupation?

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According to the results, what is the job outlook for your occupation?

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Step 2: Now… return to a web browser, such as Google or Yahoo! Find another website related to your chosen occupation.

What is the name of the website? _______________________________________

What is the web address (the URL): ______________________________________

What is one piece of information or a fact that you found on this website?
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________

Evaluate your chosen web site using the criteria listed below.

NOTE: The questions below are taken directly from the CRAAP test. For more information, look at the CRAAP test handout from California State University. This can be found at http://www.csuchico.edu/lins/handouts/eval_websites.pdf

1. Currency.
   When was the information published? (if there is not a date listed, put ‘no date’ as your answer) ____________________________
   Are the links to web sites on the site functional? _________________________

2. Relevance.
   Who is the intended audience? ______________________________
   Does the information relate to your topic? _____________________________

3. Authority.
   Who published the site? (i.e., the author, sponsor, publisher). ______________
   Is the author qualified to write on the topic? _____________________________
   Is there contact information? (i.e., an email address, phone number, etc.). __________

4. Accuracy.
   Are there spelling, grammar, or typographical errors? _________________________
   Can you verify any of the information in another source or from personal knowledge? __________

5. Purpose.
   What is the purpose of the information? Is it to inform, teach, sell, entertain, or persuade? __________
   Does the point of view appear objective and impartial? _________________
   Is the author qualified to write on the topic? _________________
Part 2: Hoax/Spoof Websites

Please view the following websites and answer the following questions:

1. **View the Dihydrogen Monoxide Research Division website.** [http://dhmo.org/](http://dhmo.org/)
   - What is the purpose of this website? ______________
   - Who is the intended audience for this website (general public, scholarly, children, or totally inappropriate)? __________________________
   - Is the Dihydrogen Monoxide Division website a hoax/spoof? ______________

2. **View the Leopon website.** [http://www.macroevolution.net/leopon.html](http://www.macroevolution.net/leopon.html)
   - What is an objective of the website? _ __________
   - Who is the intended audience for this website (general public, scholarly, children, or totally inappropriate)? __________________________
   - Is the Leopon website a spoof? ______________

3. **View the Driver’s License Search website.** [http://www.license.shorturl.com/](http://www.license.shorturl.com/)
   - What is an objective of the website? _______________________
   - Who is the intended audience for this website (general public, scholarly, children, or totally inappropriate)? __________________________
   - Is the Driver’s License Search website a spoof? ______________
Part 3: Potential Dangers of the Web

Directions: In this section, you will be going “phishing.”

You will be answering questions from the SonicWALL Phishing and Spam IQ Quiz. This website provides phishing facts and information about results on the Phishing and Spam IQ Quiz (for example, only 7.4% of test takers get all of the questions right). Taking this quiz will alert you to possible differences between phishing web sites and legitimate web sites.

♦ To get to the quiz, go to http://www.sonicwall.org/phishing
♦ Click the START THE TEST button.
♦ You will view various types of e-mails and decide whether the e-mail is a “phish” or a “legitimate” e-mail. NOTE: For the test, assume that you are John or Jane Doe for any email that is addressed to John or Jane Doe.
♦ There are 10 questions. Answer the quiz questions online by clicking either “phishing”, “legitimate” or “no answer”. Also, circle the correct answer below for each question in the game.
♦ After you complete the quiz, you will be given a score along with an explanation of why a particular email was a “phish” or “legitimate” e-mail.

Question 1: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 2: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 3: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 4: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 5: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 6: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 7: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 8: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 9: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Question 10: Circle One Answer - Phishing or Legitimate ?
Directions: In this section, the questions come directly from the OnGuardOnline.gov game, Friend Finder. This interactive game looks at potential issues with the use of Social Networking tools. You will be answering questions from Round 2 of the Friend Finder game.

- To get to the questions, go to the library’s website at http://library.sullivan.edu
- Click the FYE 101 Class Support tab on the left side of the page.
- At the next screen, click Worksheet Supplements.
- At the next screen, click the Friend Finder, a Social Networking Quiz.
- The game will open. After the opening, click “Click to Begin.”
- Click “Let’s Meet Our Contestants” to start the game.
- This will take you to Round 1. These questions are more structured for high-school students but you can read through these questions to see how you would answer.
- Go through the questions to get to Round 2. Click “Click to continue.”

Use Round 2 to answer these questions from the OnGuardOnline.gov website. (NOTE: All of these questions are asked during Round 2 but may be asked in a different order than listed below):

1. True or False? One of the risks of some social networking sites is that there may be no way to control who can view your page. ___________________

2. True or False? If you accidently put something on your page that’s too personal or private, you can delete it. But you won’t always be able to “take it back,” or retract it completely. ___________________

3. True or False? If someone’s being creepy toward you on a social networking site, the best thing you can do is take down the page, create a new one, and hope that they don’t find you. ___________________

4. Picture Perfect. What should you do with the picture that was forwarded to you?
   ____________________________________________________________________________
   ____________________________________________________________________________