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**Evaluating Your Sources for Reliability and Credibility  
Note-Taker**

Weed out unreliable sources. Here's how:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

Ask yourself these questions about your sources:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

MOST OF ALL, REMEMBER THAT YOU CAN'T \_\_\_\_\_

In the blanks to the left, write "R" if the source seems reliable. Write "U" if the source is unreliable.

- \_\_\_\_\_ A pamphlet produced by *La Leche League*, an organization that promotes breast-feeding.
- \_\_\_\_\_ An article in the *New England Journal of Medicine* about the pro's and con's of cow's milk.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A documentary about a dairy farmer and his daily life.
- \_\_\_\_\_ An interview with a pediatrician.

**Evaluating the validity of Websites:**

5 Bad Sources: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the difference between a search engine and a database? \_\_\_\_\_

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Can you use the domain (.com, .gov, .edu, for example) to determine the validity of a website? YES NO

In the blanks to the left, write "R" if the source could be considered reliable. Write "U" if the source could be considered unreliable.

- \_\_\_\_\_ [www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov)
- \_\_\_\_\_ [www.notmilk.com/](http://www.notmilk.com/)
- \_\_\_\_\_ [www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/002448.htm](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/002448.htm)
- \_\_\_\_\_ YouTube video entitled: "Why Cow's Milk Is Unhealthy For You."