

## Information Need Worksheet

**Information Need:** The criteria or description of the information that will be used to create new knowledge or to perform a task.

- A. **Assignment/Task** (What are you doing?)
- B. **Starting Assumptions** (which may need to be confirmed, used in initial searching)
- C. **Source Characteristics: Relevance + Credibility + Timeliness + Durability + Point of View**

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**Decisions for Searching** (Types of information, how much, select tools)

Assignment/Task
<p><b>Purpose:</b></p> <p><b>Audience:</b></p> <p><b>Topic:</b></p>
Starting Assumptions
<p><b>List five Assumptions about your topic:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.</li><li>2.</li><li>3.</li><li>4.</li><li>5.</li></ol>

<b>Source Characteristics</b>
<b>Relevance:</b> Pieces or related parts of your topic
<b>Credibility:</b> Needed level of authority to support your ideas
<b>Point of View:</b> How many sides are there to your topic?
<b>Timeliness:</b> At what point do sources become outdated for use?
<b>Durability:</b> Will the source be changed or unavailable when accessed at a later date?

<b>Decisions for Searching</b>
<b>Types of Information:</b>
<b>How much Information:</b>
<b>Useful Search Tools</b>



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