



AUTHORITY IS CONSTRUCTED & CONTEXTUAL

Think critically about all types of information, regardless of format. Ask questions about the author, purpose, and context of the information. Recognize the value of diverse ideas and viewpoints.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

- How is the credibility of the source determined?
 - Which factors influence a source's authority?
 - Which points of view are expressed and which views might be missing?
 - Whose voice or community does the information present?
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HOW IT WORKS

FIRST

Define types of authority, such as subject expertise, position of power, or personal experience

Use research tools and types of authority to determine the credibility of sources. Understand that all information reflects a point of view which can affect its credibility

THEN

FINALLY

Recognize that information is perceived differently based on the format in which it is packaged, who created the information, and who examines the information