

Help Teens Become Savvy surfers

As school starts up again, one important task for librarians and educators is to help students become more information literate. We hope this selection of resources will be helpful to you as you assist teens who use the Internet for research or for leisure.

Evaluating Websites (links to printable handouts and guides):

- WWW Cyberguide Ratings for Content Evaluation <http://www.cyberbee.com/content.pdf>
- WWW Cyberguide Ratings for Website Design <http://www.cyberbee.com/design.pdf>
- Teacher Helpers: Critical Evaluation Information- resource for library media specialists and teachers: handouts, websites, and articles
<http://school.discovery.com/schrockguide/eval.html>
- Checklist for Evaluating Websites <http://library.usm.maine.edu/guides/webeval.html>
- QUICK: The **QU**ality **I**nformation **C**hec**K**list- good Web evaluation method for younger students <http://www.quick.org.uk/menu.htm>
- The Gateway to Educational Materials- locate lesson plans for website evaluation
<http://www.thegateway.org>

Internet Safety:

- ISAFE.org <http://www.isafe.org>
- Librarian's Guide to Cyberspace for Parents and Kids
<http://www.ala.org/ala/pio/availablepiomat/librariansguide.htm>
- Cyber Tipline <http://tcs.cybertipline.com/surfsafer.htm>
- Sorted <http://www.childnet-int.org/sorted/>
- Staysafe.org <http://www.staysafe.org/teens/default.html>
- SafeTeens.com <http://www.safeteens.com>
- YALSA's Teens & Social Networking Toolkit
<http://teentechweek.wikispaces.com/space/showimage/SocialNetworkingToolkit.pdf>

Research Process:

- Citation Machine <http://citationmachine.net/>
- Noodle Tools <http://www.noodletools.com/>
- Citing Electronic Resource <http://www.ipl.org/div/farq/netciteFARQ.html>
- A+ Writing and Research <http://www.ipl.org/div/teen/aplus/>

Staying Current:

- Librarians' Index to the Internet "New Sites" & "Featured Collections" <http://lii.org>
- Search Engine Watch <http://www.searchenginewatch.com>
- *School Library Journal's* "Site of the Week" <http://www.schoollibraryjournal.com>
- YALSA Blog's "Technology" category <http://blogs.ala.org/yalsa.php>