

### 8.3 Source Evaluation Using the Wikipedia trick

Evaluate the following sources using the Wikipedia trick.

1. Survey the search results overall — are there any clues from the first page of Google?
2. Click into the Wikipedia entry to learn more about the source’s reputation. Check for signals of credibility including the age of the organization and audience numbers. These are not definitive, but a long history and high audience numbers can be an indicator of reliability.

Extension: Scroll to the bottom to see linked sources, and evaluate those using the Wikipedia trick, too.

Site	Notes
<a href="http://www.macleans.ca">www.macleans.ca</a>	
<a href="http://www.thewalrus.ca">www.thewalrus.ca</a>	
<a href="http://www.YourNewsWire.com">www.YourNewsWire.com</a>	
<a href="http://www.burrardstreetjournal.com">www.burrardstreetjournal.com</a>	
<a href="http://www.timescolonist.com">www.timescolonist.com</a>	
<a href="http://www.sciencemag.org">www.sciencemag.org</a>	
<a href="http://www.naturalnews.com">www.naturalnews.com</a>	
<a href="http://www.propublica.org">www.propublica.org</a>	