# Application Activity: COPE Evaluation

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## Overview

It is important to evaluate information sources using the [COPE method](https://libguides.byui.edu/Pathwayresearch/evaluate). In this activity, you will find a full-text article and do a quick evaluation of it.

## Step 1

Open [Google Scholar](https://scholar.google.com/).

## Step 2

Think of a topic that interests you. Enter a search term using a combination of two or more words related to your topic. You may alternately create your own search terms. Either way, you must use one of the [Boolean search parameters](https://libguides.byui.edu/Pathwayresearch/create) (AND or OR) to clarify your search. Click “Search.”

If you need help, consider using these search terms in Google Scholar:

* social media AND youth
* study skills AND online

Answer the following questions.

1. What topic did you choose?

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1. What was your search term? Be sure to include the Boolean Operator that you used.

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## Step 3

Locate and open a full-text article. Keep looking through the search results, or use a different set of search terms until you find an article that you can see in full-text. Review [this website](https://libguides.byui.edu/Pathwayresearch/find) if you need help finding a full-text article.

Quickly scan the article and apply the [COPE](https://libguides.byui.edu/Pathwayresearch/evaluate) method. Answer the following questions.

1. What is the name of the article you chose?

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1. **C**: To you, what makes the content **C**redible?

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **O**: To you, is the content **O**bjective(meaning is it unbiased, not persuasive)?

Click or tap here to enter text.

Why or why not?

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **P**: What would you say is the author’s **P**urpose or **P**oint?

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **E**: How **E**asy is it for you to navigate the article? Explain your answer.

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. How Easy is it to read and understand? Explain your answer.

Click or tap here to enter text.

## Step 4

**Save** this document with your name in the filename, and follow the instructions in your course to submit it for grading and feedback.