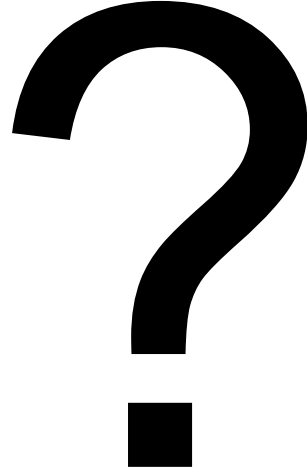# Class 5: Checking your facts

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Class Outline

5.1 Credibility

5.2 Variant data

5.3 Use quotes to verify a quote

5.4 Using WHOIS

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Lesson 5.1: Credibility

- Understanding ranking—it's **not** the same as credibility.

- Choosing appropriate terms for your query—different terms have different implications.

- Verifying credibility by looking for fact-checking sites—sites that you know to be credible.
  Do **one more search.**

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Look inside the URL

- Check the URL to see inside the story:

    http://www.historywebsite.com/imperialism/panamacanal.html

Range-checking

"I mourn the loss of thousands of precious lives, but I will not rejoice in the death of one, not even an enemy."
—attributed to Martin Luther King, Jr.

- Use date-range search to see when this quote first appears.

(Example from: Robert Strohmeyer, PCWorld)

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