Trust It or Trash It  
How many statements did you correctly or incorrectly trust or trash?

Please this summary of the statements that we recommend are either trustworthy or trashable (and untrustworthy).

**Trust If...**

* The author’s name is clear and easy to find.
* The publishers are easy to find.
* The source is peer-reviewed.
* The information is timely and current for your discipline.
* You can tell where the information comes from - the sources or a bibliography are listed.
* The information matches what you’ve found in multiple other sources.
* The information presented objectively, the language is objective and free of emotion.
* The purpose is clear, i.e. to information, educate, entertain or sell or convince you of something.

**Trash If...**

* You can’t find information about the author’s qualifications, affiliations or experience.
* A date for the information isn’t given.
* The information seems out of date based on other information you’ve read or know about.
* Wikipedia has a bibliography so it’s a trustworthy source.
* Peer-reviewed content is irrelevant.
* The sponsor is clearly stated and any conflicts of interest are stated.
* The information includes the promotion and sale of a product, or point of view.
* It's clearly written for another audience, not the one that you need.