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SIFTing and Four-Moving Online: Opportunities and Challenges with Teaching Lateral Reading through an Online Module

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Welcome! Please go to: <u>https://www.menti.com/gytnbbkvz7</u> and answer the following question: Reflect on your experience teaching source evaluation. Share about a related challenge or success.

Session Learning Outcomes

- Reflect on and share experiences with teaching about source evaluation.
- Become more informed about "lateral reading" strategies for source evaluation.
- Reflect on opportunities and challenges with practicing and teaching about lateral reading.

Key Project Considerations

- Identifying stumbling blocks of practicing and teaching about lateral reading
- Developing strategic scaffolding (building on students' prior learning and creating multiple opportunities for modeling lateral reading, for student practice, and for feedback)

Why "Lateral Reading"?

- Reading "across sources" to see what others say about a web source (spending limited time on the web source itself when initially evaluating it)
- The practice of fact-checkers
- Limitations of evaluation checklists like CRAAP and RADCAB (<u>Caulfield, 2018</u>)
- "Civic online reasoning" and "lateral reading" work by the <u>Stanford History Education Group (SHEG)</u> and Mike Caulfield (<u>Breakstone et al. 2019</u>; <u>McGrew et al. 2019</u>; <u>Caulfield, 2017</u>)

Video "Online Verification Skills: Introductory Video" (Newswise - 3:13)



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yBU2sDIUbp8a

Poll: Have you taught "lateral reading" before?

- Yes
- No, but I am familiar with the concept of lateral reading.
- This is the first time I've heard of lateral reading.

Poll: If you have taught "lateral reading," how satisified were you with the approach?

Rate on scale of 1-5, 1 being lowest.

Review of First Poll Responses

Reflect on your experience teaching source evaluation. Share about a related challenge or success.

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Seeming Simplicity

Lateral reading is seemingly simply, but sometimes tricky.

- How widely do you read? How deeply do you go?
 (balancing depth of source analysis and time constraints)
- Getting creative when information on a source isn't readily found
- The power of beliefs and confirmation bias (more on this later)

Our Context at Rowan

Rowan University (New Jersey)

- 1923 Glassboro State College (Normal school)
- 1950 Glassboro State University
- 1997 Rowan University
- Established Cooper Medical School of Rowan University (Allopathic, 2012); merged with Rowan School of Osteopathic Medicine (Osteopathic, 2013)

Rowan University Growth

- Carnegie Classifications (R3, 2017; R2, 2018)
- Rapidly growing enrollment (3,550 increase in 3 years)
- FTE Fall 2019 = 17084.38
- 176 new tenure track faculty hired in five years, initiative to hire 100 more in next five
- New PhD programs
- Gradual emphasis to STEM
- Continuing sizable teacher education program

Overview of Our Project

- Interactive tutorial, initially to broaden library's reach to online courses
- Project evolution
 - From a one-off workshop to an online tutorial
 - Relevance to online and face-to-face courses (and to the broader university community)
 - Seeking to expand instruction and outreach beyond the tutorial
- Developed originally in Canvas, then created in LibGuides
 - Accessible to larger audience
 - Allows librarians more control + potential for assessment

Strategic Scaffolding

Scaffolding

- Pre- and post-test
- Modeling>Student practice>Librarian feedback
- "Tips" that address common challenges
- Post-activity reflection
- Final Points to Remember
- Final survey and completion certificate
- Follow-up with faculty

Our LibGuide module: go.rowan.edu/evaluating

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Pre-Activity	Purpose: Developing new strategies for evaluating online sources and improving one		
An Overview of "Lateral Reading" SIFT and Four Moves	to recognize credible sources Learning outcomes:		
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coverage Trace information back to the original context	Prerequisites: none Suggested time: 30-40 minutes		
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About This Tutorial

Evaluating Online Sources:

Part 1 Introduction

Pre-Activity

An Overview of "Lateral Reading"

SIFT and Four Moves

Lateral Reading in Practice

Stop/Pause

Investigate/Find trusted

coverage

Trace information back to the original context

Time to Practice

Exercise: Evaluate Minimumwage

Pre-Activity

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Water Fluoridation Linked to Diabetes and Low IQ

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Consent question for collecting data

Pre-test

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Japanese Pancake Baths Let You Bathe in Maple Syrup

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Overview of Lateral Reading

One caveat before watching video 2:

When researching contentious topics, especially topics that are new or about which less research has been done, you'll often need to do more work than this video suggests (for example, current political debates like Medicare for All).

...And a note about Wikipedia:

You may have heard in the past that you should avoid Wikipedia as a source. We (like Caulfield) will instead encourage you to use Wikipedia, but to do so while recognizing both its strengths and its limitations. Most Wikipedia articles are highly accurate, as Wikipedia has editors who work to ensure that Wikipedia content adheres is its editorial practices, including providing evidentiary sources. Wikipedia articles that are longer and that are older tend to be of higher quality because they have been developed and improved over time by individuals who follow Wikipedia's best practices. That said, it's still true that someone can put inaccurate information on Wikipedia that is not immediately corrected. Wikipedia articles that are about contentious topics and that are undeveloped should be evaluated with greater care. You can also use the references at the end of a Wikipedia page to help you determine its level of accuracy.

Online Verification Skills: Investigate the Source (2:44)

Highlighted box to address common questions

Online Verification **Skills** – Video 2: Inves...

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SIFT and 4 Moves

<u>SIFT</u>

- 1. STOP. Pause and ask yourself
- 2. INVESTIGATE the source.
- 3. FIND trusted coverage.
- 4. TRACE claims, quotes, and media back to the original context.
 From Mike Caulfield's SIFT (Four Moves)

<u>4 Moves</u>

- 1. Check for previous work
- 2. Go upstream to the source
- 3. Read laterally
- 4. Circle back.

From Mike Caulfield's "Four Moves," Web Literacy for Student Fact-Checkers

Autism One Conference example walk through

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Jesus Christrolled up into one. He's a symbol of how all of us feel. (27)[28] However, Wakefield's work has been characterized as "an elaborate fraud" [29] and parental

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Revisiting minimumwage.com: Post-activity reflection

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	Now that you've compared your and our source evaluations, would you change anything
	about your evaluation process?

Certificate of completion

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Other Considerations

The Power of Beliefs

Confirmation bias: tendency to more readily believe information that fit one's preexisting views and to discount information that challenges those views

Backfire effect: upon having one's strongly held views are challenged, those views often become stronger (<u>Cook &</u> <u>Lewandowsky, 2011</u>)

 The backfire effect and other forms of "motivated reasoning" are especially salient when engaging with social and political issues that elicit strong emotions (<u>Kahne & Bowyer, 2017;</u> <u>Lodge & Taber, 2005; Taber & Lodge, 2016; Weeks, 2015</u>)

The Power of Beliefs: Pedagogical Implications

- Sources that require more careful evaluation are often on topics about which people may have strong pre-existing views. (e.g., vaccines, traditional/alternative medicine, government/economic policies).
- Importance of raising awareness that our beliefs influence how readily we accept/dismiss claims and evidence that affirm or challenge those beliefs

The Power of Pausing

Step 1 of SIFT: Stop/Pause - allows time for people to move past initial reflexes and to a more critical mindframe.

"STOP. Pause. Ask yourself if you recognize the information source and if you know anything about the website or the claim's reputation. ...Also take note if you have a strong reaction to the information you see (e.g., joy, pride, anger). If so, slow down before you share or use that information. We tend to react quickly and with less thought to things that evoke strong feelings. ...

Stop/Pause in Action (Evaluating an <u>Autism One Conference presentation</u>)

Contextualization of a source as one part of pausing (e.g., Where is this from? Who created it? What is it about? What do I know about this topic or issue?)

- Modeling an observational and fact-based analysis of source
- Acknowledging what we do and do not know about the source
- Reserving initial value judgements

A work in progress: Hopes to expand nudges to "pause" and reflect

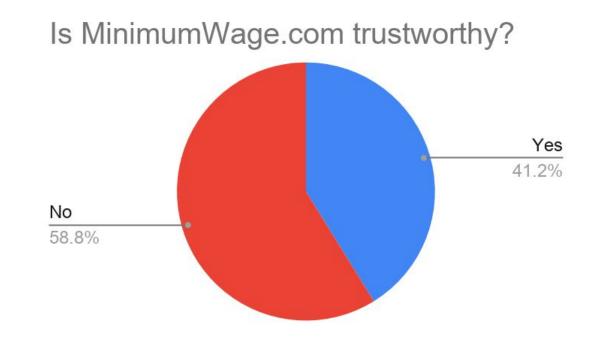
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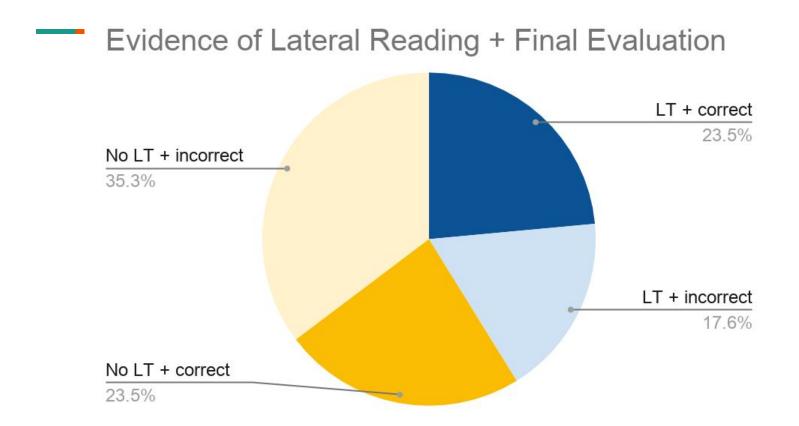
Initial Assessment (n=17)

(Prior to adding pre-test)

17 undergraduates enrolled in a humanities course

- Mostly juniors and seniors (2 2nd-year, 6 3rd-year, 3 4th-year)
- 7/12 respondent early education students





Our Next Steps

- Getting more participants in and outside of Rowan
- Integrating Grounding Questions from SHEG's Civic Online Reasoning
 - Who is behind this information?
 - What is the evidence?
 - What do other sources say?
 (McGrew et al., 2018)

Closing Discussion & Feedback

Poll:

Please share one takeaway for your teaching practice from today's session.

Final Reflection & Feedback

https://bit.ly/2R5gFUh

- What did you find most useful about this session?
- What would you like to have seen or experienced differently?
- Is there anything else you would like to share with us, including feedback or suggestions for our tutorial?

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