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Citing Your Way to College-Ready: 11th Grade Research Mastery

Information architecture, source synthesis, and ethical attribution — 10 rigorous challenges for mastering nuanced citation and sourcing in high-level academic writing.

1. You are examining the 'The Ethics of CRISPR' published in an open-access journal. While the author has a PhD in Genomics, they are currently employed by a private firm seeking to patent gene-editing technology. Which component of the CRAAP test is most compromised here?

- A. Currency: The discovery is too recent to be vetted.
- B. Authority: The author lacks peer-reviewed credentials.
- C. Purpose: Potential commercial bias may influence the findings.
- D. Relevance: The topic is too narrow for a general research paper.

2. In a formal APA-style reference list, the ____ is the first element listed when the author of a specific digital report or government document is not identified.

- A. Editor's Name
- B. Title of the work
- C. URL of the website
- D. Publishing entity

3. Self-plagiarism (recycling a paper you wrote for 10th-grade English for an 11th-grade History assignment) is considered an ethical violation in most collegiate academic integrity codes.

- A. True
- B. False

4. When synthesizing multiple perspectives on the Harlem Renaissance, you find two sources with conflicting dates regarding a specific event. Which research strategy best maintains academic rigor?

- A. Omit the date entirely to avoid inaccuracy.
- B. Choose the source that matches your favorite textbook.
- C. Consult a primary source, such as a localized newspaper from that specific era.
- D. Averaging the dates to provide a chronological 'middle ground'.

5. If you are citing a direct quote from a digital article without page numbers in MLA format, you should use ____ to help the reader locate the specific section of the text.

- A. Character counts
- B. Paragraph numbers (par. X)
- C. Timestamps
- D. The full URL

6. Identify the 'container' in the following MLA citation: Gaiman, Neil. 'The Graveyard Book.' *The Worlds of Fantasy*, edited by Sarah Jenkins, Scholastic, 2014, pp. 12-45.

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- A. Gaiman, Neil
- B. The Graveyard Book
- C. The Worlds of Fantasy
- D. Scholastic

7. Common knowledge, such as the fact that the Great Wall of China is located in China, requires a formal parenthetical citation in a research paper.

- A. True
- B. False

8. Which of these scenarios describes 'indirect' citation (quoting a source that was quoted in another source)?

- A. Paraphrasing a speech by Malala Yousafzai found on her personal blog.
- B. Quoting a critic's analysis of a poem found in a literary textbook.
- C. Using a quote by Albert Einstein that you found inside an article written by Stephen Hawking.
- D. Formatting a block quote that is longer than four typed lines.

9. When a researcher deliberately chooses only sources that support their existing thesis and ignores credible contradictory evidence, they are demonstrating ____.

- A. Confirmation Bias
- B. Lateral Reading
- C. Objective Synthesis
- D. Information Literacy

10. An annotated bibliography serves the same exact purpose as a Works Cited page, with the only difference being the font size.

- A. True
- B. False