Evaluating Web Information: Worksheet
to accompany the ‘Credible Sources Count’ Tutorial

Undertake the excellent 10-minute VIDEO tutorial which outlines how to decide whether information you find on a web site is likely to be reliable and useful for academic research, or not:

Credible Sources Count Tutorial
http://library.acadiau.ca/sites/default/files/library/tutorials/webevaluation/
This is an excellent introduction to evaluation of websites using cartoons, web examples, interactive inquiry and questions. Introduces an evaluation strategy for researchers to follow when deciding what Web information to use in academic work.
Produced by Vaughan Memorial Library, Canada. Tutorial takes approx. 10 min.

Now, evaluate one of these 4 examples, using the evaluation strategy in this worksheet (below), and justify whether these Web information examples are likely to be of good or questionable reliability:

1. New nose grown on man’s head

2. Anything left-handed
http://www.anythinglefthanded.co.uk/

3. Cloning
http://www.eurekascience.com/ICanDoThat/cloning.htm

4. RYT Hospital: Dwayne Medical Center
http://www.rythospital.com/#

Review one website using the following criteria, and justify whether you think this web resource is likely to contain reliable or trustworthy information:

**WHO has written this website (authors)?**

**WHAT is this website about (purpose)?**

**WHY – is it biased or balanced information?**

* Be critical of information found on the web
* Determine credible and reliable sources by using 5 simple questions
* Use other credible sources of information found through the library