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✨ Grade 9 English — Research Skills ✨

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1. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) What is it called when a researcher only looks at sources that agree with what they already believe? 2) Why might a satirical or opinion website be an unreliable source for factual research?

2. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) Why is Wikipedia often considered a good starting point but not a final source for serious research? 2) What should a reference list or bibliography at the end of an essay do?

3. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) What should you do if a source makes a claim without citing any evidence to support it? 2) What does 'intellectual property' mean in the context of using someone else's research or ideas?

4. What should a researcher do if two reliable sources disagree on a fact?

5. What is it called when a researcher deliberately looks for evidence that disagrees with their own initial hypothesis?

6. What should you do if a source makes a claim without citing any evidence to support it?

7. Why should a direct quotation used in a research essay be placed in quotation marks?

8. Why might a research question that is too broad, like 'What is climate change?', be difficult to investigate well?

9. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) What does 'intellectual property' mean in the context of using someone else's research or ideas? 2) Which is a more reliable source: a peer-reviewed article, or an anonymous blog post with no author listed?

10. Why is the publication date of a source important when researching a fast-changing topic like technology?