**SS11 Explorations**

**Online Verification Practice**

**1) Evaluate the Source**

Use your checking skills (Wikipedia search, web search) to investigate the reputations of the following sources. Make notes on what you find in the space provided.

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| Source: | Notes: |
| www.thebeaverton.com |  |
| www.thewalrus.ca |  |
| www.edmontonjournal.com |  |
| www.burrardstreetjournal.com |  |
| www.naturalnews.com |  |

**2) Find the Original Source**

The articles below involve ‘reporting on reporting’. Find the original source, then evaluate it.

“Schools in the UK Are Removing Analog Clocks Because Students Can’t Tell Time”

[www.odditycentral.com/news/schools-in-the-uk-are-removing-analog-clocks-because-students-cant-tell-time.html](http://www.odditycentral.com/news/schools-in-the-uk-are-removing-analog-clocks-because-students-cant-tell-time.html)

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| Original Reporting Source: | Notes: |
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“Bizarre ‘Sonic’ Symptoms Reportedly Spreading to US Diplomats Around the World”

<https://gizmodo.com/bizarre-sonic-attack-symptoms-reportedly-spreading-to-u-1827132459>

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| Original Reporting Source: | Notes: |
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**3) Investigate the Claim**

To see if a claim is accurate, use Google to find reporting on the story. Look for established media sources or fact-checking sites in results.

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| Claim: | Notes: |
| Trump ends North Korean talks early after Kim suggests Burger King is better than McDonalds. |  |
| Scientists accidentally invented a mutant plastic-eating enzyme. |  |
| Service Canada banned the words ‘mother’ and ‘father’ to be more gender inclusive. |  |
| Snickers chocolate bar was banned for causing cancer. |  |

**4) Check the Photo**

Visit [www.newswise.ca/examples](http://www.newswise.ca/examples) for reverse-image search practice examples. Right-click any picture in Chrome, and select ‘Search Google for Image’ to find out where else a photo has been used.

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| Image Description: | Notes From Reverse-Image Search: |
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