Introduction

Would you automatically believe a friend, if they told you an outlandish story? Would you buy a pair of shoes without trying them on, just because an advertisement told you to? Just as you are careful with the information that you gather in us in your everyday life, you should also be careful with the information that you get from the Internet. Why? Click on each of the choices to find out.

There Are No Rules!

Any person or group can create a website and publish any information. Be suspicious. There are no rules when it comes to who can or cannot publish information on the Internet, nor are their rules governing what can be posted. Be careful, and watch for inaccurate or unreliable information.

Everyone Has an Agenda

Every website has an agenda, or a reason, for posting or publishing information. While some websites seek to communicate helpful information that is non-biased in nature, other websites seek to deceive users.

Too Many Hits

The Internet is an ever-expanding tool. Receiving hundreds or even thousands of results from a keyword search can be overwhelming, and many of those "hits" may not be relevant to the original search. It is important to carefully screen, or check, every website to make sure the information is useful and valid.