

Bell Ringers

Grade 8 Week 6

Expository Reading & Writing Unit

Bell Ringer 1

When you read something either online or in a magazine, how can you tell that the writer is "credible"? In other words, just because something appears in print and looks "official" doesn't mean it's accurate or even true. So how do you know that what you're reading was written by someone who actually knows what they're talking about?

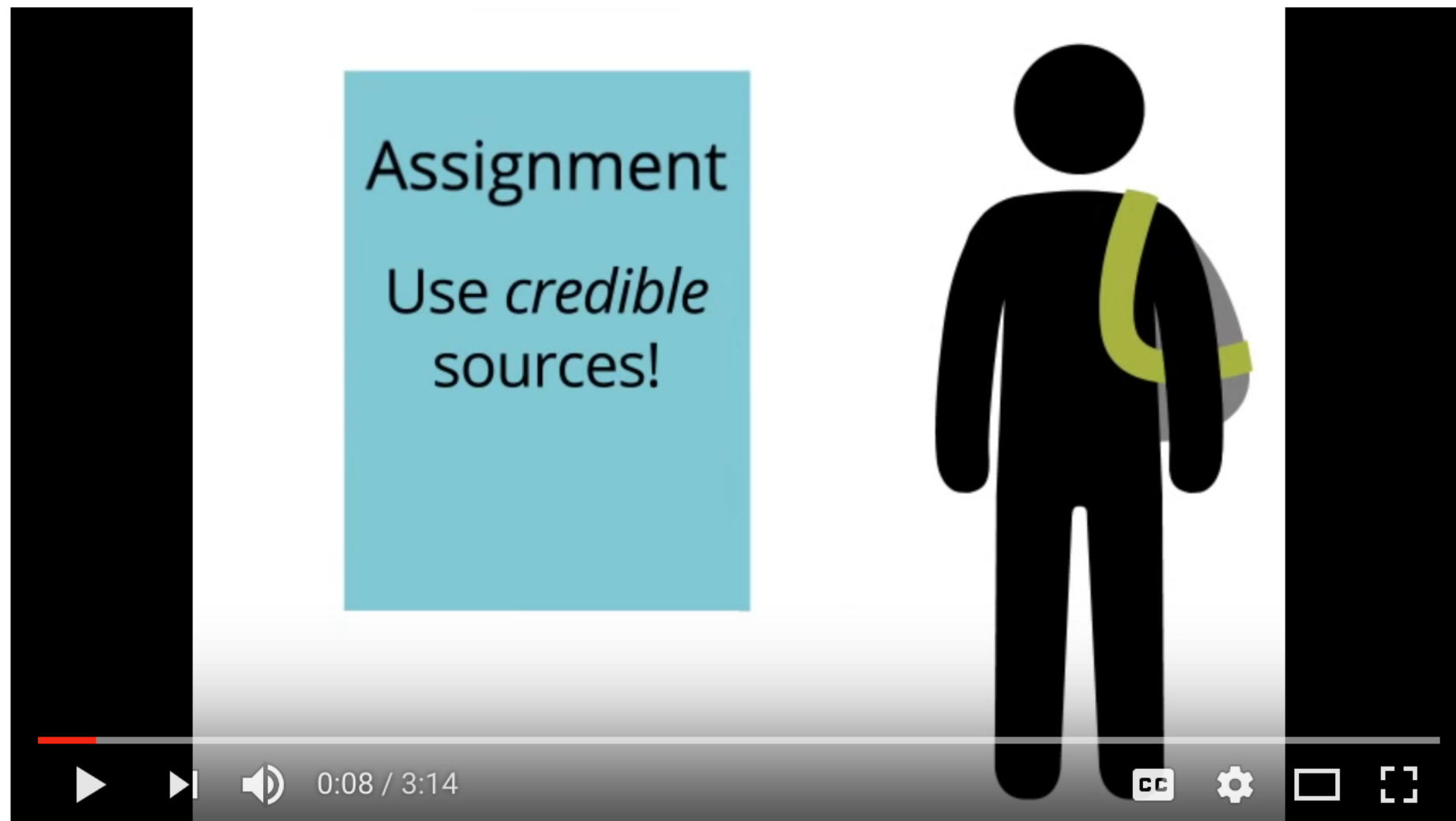
Bell Ringer 2

Think about what we learned yesterday. Explain how you can tell whether something you're reading is credible and trustworthy.

If you weren't here yesterday, then write about the answer to this bell ringer as best you can. You can always add to it based on what we discuss!

Bell Ringer Continued...

Let's review what we learned about yesterday regarding credible sources by watching a quick video!



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PLTOVoHbH5c>

Bell Ringer 3

What are some topics you would like to know more about? Make a list of things that interest you that you'd like to sit down and just read about online.

For example, I'd love to know more about how Black Holes in outer space form because that's just an amazing thing. I'd love to learn about how people survive living in deserts, too because that's just incredible. I also wish I could learn more about why labradors get so many ear infections because maybe I could help my dog avoid getting them. I think that's what I'll read about today online.

What about you?

Bell Ringer 4

When you're trying to make your ideas seem more believable and mature, how can finding and using other sources (quotes from experts) help your message and build your own credibility?

Bell Ringer 5

When you're writing about a topic, what do you do in your head or on paper to help you get **organized**? In other words, explain what you do to break down your ideas, organize them, and figure out how you're going to get things done. Everyone has a slightly different way of thinking and organizing and getting ready to write, so explain what your personal process is.