

RELIABILITY OF ONLINE SITES

.com = commercial

.net = network

Sites with either of these two things in their domain name are commercial sites. The domain names are purchased by companies, organisations or individuals, who can put whatever they like on them. They are not automatically a reliable source or fact checked or unbiased, so information from these sources needs to be considered carefully.

.edu = education - these sites are usually reliable as sources of information.

.gov = government – the information found on these sites is generally reliable, but also keep in mind that they are usually trying to convince you to agree with them about something.

.org = organization – any organization can register for this type of domain, and organisations can have biases. Can't automatically trust them.