

## OPVL: How to evaluate a source

### O - Origin

The author's name is \_\_\_\_\_ The author's main job is \_\_\_\_\_

They wrote it on (date) \_\_\_\_\_ The article/magazine/newspaper was written in

(city) \_\_\_\_\_, (state) \_\_\_\_\_, and (country) \_\_\_\_\_

### P - Purpose

The author wants us to be (circle one): informed      entertained      convinced/persuaded      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

because \_\_\_\_\_

How many times did this author write something like this (circle one)?      In the moment      Many times      Thoughtfully once

Why do you think this? \_\_\_\_\_

How many people were suppose to read it (circle one)?      Just the author      A small group      A large group

Why do you think that? \_\_\_\_\_

### V - Value & L - Limitation

Was the information that you learned important to the assignment? \_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_

Did the author take a side? Or were they biased? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you know this? \_\_\_\_\_

Was the author at the event that he or she wrote about? \_\_\_\_\_ How do you know that? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the author have quotes from other people? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, who are they? \_\_\_\_\_

Did the recorder have reasons to be honest or dishonest? \_\_\_\_\_ How do you know that? \_\_\_\_\_

**Write all the information above into a paragraph here.**