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Unit2 / Reliable and Unreliable Websites

<u>Reliable Websites</u>	<u>Unreliable Websites</u>
are websites that are most likely to have correct and trusted information. Something you can trust.	Websites that you can't trust because it has a lot of animation, adverts, a bad layout and spelling mistakes. Something that you cannot trust or depend on.

The main clues to unreliable websites or how I know unreliable websites from:

- The design.
- The URL (website address).
- Last updated website information and author.

-The design:

Unreliable websites is likely to have:

- Lots of animated images on the page.
- Lots of adverts and pop ups.
- Spelling errors.
- Broken links to pages.
- A poor layout.
- Colours that don't work well together.



-The URL (web address):

- **Suffix:** The last part of the website name such as “ae, com, bh “

- **The suffix** can tell you where the website is based and who owns it, such as “.ae” means website based in the UAE or made for people in the UAE.

Activity

Why might someone buy a website for a country they are not it?

- Because it look good and match their interest ,jobs or company.
- To attract the visitors from this country.

Below are some other suffixes you can buy that are used around the world:

Domain Suffix	Meaning
.com	for commercial websites - most businesses prefer a .com domain name because it is a highly recognised symbol for having a business presence on the internet
.org	for organisations - usually charity and non-profit groups
.tv	for television stations
.mobi	for websites designed for mobile phones
.me	for personal websites, like your family photos
.info	for information sources
.travel	for travel related websites

There are some website suffixes that you cannot purchase(buy) شراء:

Domain Suffix	Limited to
.gov	for United States government websites; local government agencies are able to use this combined with their country code, for example, .gov.ae is used for the UAE government
.edu / .ac	for higher educational institutions
.mil	for the United States military

How does the suffix of a website help us?

We can use Suffix to know the reliable websites:

The most reliable websites are often set up by official organizations and businesses. They can often be known by their web address

- for examples <http://kustar.ac.ae> (website for Khalifa university)
this website ends in **ac.ae** .

The websites is unreliable if the URL:

- does not include any of the following .gov , .org , .com .
- is very long.
- include free web hosting , such as geocities , wix , weekbly or freewebspace.

EX: www.officalgoverment.weebly.com (unreliable website)

Domain Suffix	Realiabe	Unreliable
www.officalgoverment.weebly.com		✓
www.stanford.edu	✓	
www.zayed.org.ae	✓	
www.alltheofficalfactsfromaroundtheworldonhere.com		✓
www.navy.mil	✓	
www.moe.gov.ae	✓	

Other ways to check if a website is reliable or not:

- **Last updated**: if website haven't been updated for more time that's means the information may be **changed and website unreliable**.
- **Author**: research about author to see if the website reliable or not.

You can use unofficial websites for some information:

- for finding out people's opinions
- Websites about hobbies and travel often provide valuable advice and opinions about everything from restaurant to hotel reviews.

- **The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN):**
- They keep track of website owners, which websites are already in use and which ones are available.
- They decide which suffixes can be used.
- ICANN was created on September 18, 1998.

Unit Summary

- ◆ Reliable websites are websites that are most likely to have correct and trustworthy information.
- ◆ An unreliable website will have too much animation, adverts, a bad layout and spelling mistakes.
- ◆ The suffix is the end of the website. Some suffixes tell you the country of origin of a website. For example, .ae is a website for the UAE. Certain suffixes are restricted such as .ac which are for colleges and universities.
- ◆ A long website name, or a website name which contains a free website builder such as wix.com are not usually reliable websites.

End of unit quiz:

1. List 3 suffixes that are limited. This means they are not available for anyone just anyone buy.
 - .gov
 - .edu/.ac
 - .mil
2. What does the word reliable mean?
 - something you can trust
3. List 2 ways you can tell a website is unreliable by its design.
 - Lots of animated images on the page.
 - Lots of adverts and pop ups.
 - Spelling errors.
4. How can the name of the author of a website help you find out if the website is reliable or not?
 - Are they experts on the topic they are writing about and what are their educational background