

## Topic 5 DQ 1

Go back to your readings in Chapter 4 of the text on bias. Reread the information to help you answer this question.

Remember that bias can be found on a website.

View the website noted here: [https://www.naturalchild.org/articles/guest/john\\_breeding.html](https://www.naturalchild.org/articles/guest/john_breeding.html).

What indications do you have that the site is biased or not biased? List three things that appear to make this site biased or unbiased. Finally, based on the criteria you have been learning about websites, do you believe this site is true and honest, or does it have an agenda? How might you address bias in your evaluation essay?

During the week, go back and review your classmates' posts and discuss similarities and differences between your response and your peers' responses?

The title of the article, "Does ADHD Even Exist? The Ritalin Sham", has a biased tone in itself. It comes off as the author or writer believes that ADHD does not exist and has a strong belief against Ritalin. The title of each subtopic: ADHD: Nothing but a Sham, The Significance of Oppression Theory, Lies My Doctor Told Me, Suffer the Children, and Ritalin Use – Simply Out of Control. It shows the author's personal emotion on disorder and medication. Certain words in quotation marks which display the author's dislike feelings towards it.

Upon my review, first person writing was indicated which makes this a biased and opinionated website. The website did not meet the five criteria standards of a trustworthy website. The author is trying to manipulate a reader that ADHD does not exist and Ritalin is a toxic drug, as to how the author describes it.

In order to avoid bias in my evaluation essay or any essay, I support my thesis by using logical appeal. I review my writing to make sure there are no words or statements that express my personal emotion. In addition, I use facts from scholarly sources with in-text citations to support my claim.