**English 11/12 Honors: Tolkien Name:**

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**Works Cited Practice: A Way To Practice Creating Works Citeds**

Introduction: When I was a young, fresh-faced, eager high school student, I had to write a single research paper. That’s it! Just one! That being said, I had to learn how to correctly format a bibliographic entry all by myself. I also learned how to use a card catalogue! Now that I am an old, grey, cranky, cynical teacher, I want my students to write 100 research papers! Of course, I want to teach other lessons, as well, so I’ll make due with just one. I also would love to teach you the ways of the card catalogue, but sadly, that ship has sailed. Heck, there is even a website, easybib.com, that helps you create your own bibliographic entries! Surprisingly, students keep making silly mistakes on their works citeds, as they do not know how to properly use easybib.com. I’m tired of seeing students lose points for stupid mistakes. So, we’re going to practice making a works cited today! Plus, this activity will give us a chance to practice finding sources. It’ll be like an Easter egg hunt, only without Easter…or eggs!

Works Cited Format:

* You must double-space your works cited.
* You must NOT indent the first line of an entry, but you MUST indent every other line in that entry.
* All entries MUST be in alphabetical order.
* All punctuation, capitalization, and formatting rules MUST be followed, based on the type of source you are citing.
* Make sure the CORRECT information is in the entry. CHECK EASYBIB!

Method: Just go to easybib.com, and fill in the information it requests.

Your Assignment:

1. You make work alone or with a partner or two. No group should have more than three people in it.
2. By the end of this period, you must answer the following questions on this sheet, and then create a works cited for the sources.
3. Remember: Your sources must be RELIABLE.

Your Questions:

1. What country has the most goats living in it?

2. Who is the worst U.S. President of all time? Remember, while this is an opinion, you want a “reliable” source that helps you make a strong argument.

3. What is one unintentionally funny statement former Vice President Dan Quayle once said?

4. Find a good quotation from a science fiction or fantasy author about J.R.R. Tolkien and write it down below.

5. Find a quotation in a recent *Berkshire Eagle* that gives an opinion on a government official or committee. Then, write it down below.

Your Rubric:

Failing Poor Flawed Good Perfect\_\_\_\_

Order/Basic Format 1 2 3 4 5

Entries Done Correctly 1 2 3 4 5

Reliability of Sources 1 2 3 4 5

Questions Answered

Correctly 1 2 3 4 5

Grade: /20