The letters and numbers in a URL (Uniform Resource Locator) or web address can tell us a lot about the website itself. This will help with identifying whether the information is reliable.

**Domain Name**

The domain name (part of the URL) can also be used when performing a search to ensure you find the types of site you require.

- **edu** education site
- **.au** Australian site (Similarly other countries have letters to indicate the origin of the site except the USA which has none)
- **.gov** government site
- **.org** organisations (i.e. United Nations)
- **.mil** military site
- **.net** news site
- **.com** commercial site