

Grade 8 - AQBS Rule: Ask Questions. Be Skeptical.

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1. Multiple Choice

The AQBS Rule helps students avoid:

- A. Asking too many questions
- B. Responding with strong emotions before thinking
- C. Reading the whole post
- D. Checking the source

(Circle one)

2. Multiple Choice

Which of the following BEST represents being skeptical?

- A. Believing a post because many people shared it
- B. Ignoring your emotions completely
- C. Asking for proof before accepting something as true
- D. Reacting quickly to show you care

(Circle one)

3. True or False

Write **T** for True or **F** for False.

1.	Strong emotional reactions can cloud your judgment online.
2.	Every post with lots of likes is trustworthy.
3.	Your emotions are valid, but they shouldn't control your online behavior.
4.	AQBS means Ask Questions, Be Skeptical.

4. Fill in the Blank

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1. When something online makes you feel a strong ______, pause before reacting.

2. You need _____ to know whether a post is true.

3. Being _____ helps protect you from falling for false or misleading posts.

5. Short Answer

Explain why examining BOTH your emotions and the content of a post is important before reacting online.

6. Matching – Emotional vs. Evidence Questions

Match each question to the correct category:

A. Emotional Self-Check

B. Evidence Check

- 1. "Why am I feeling this way?"
- 2. "What proof supports this claim?"
- 3. "Do I need to act on this feeling?"
- 4. "Is there any evidence that this is false?"

Write A or B:

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3: ____

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7. Scenario Challenge

You see a post claiming that a celebrity said something outrageous. It makes you instantly angry.

What is the BEST Media Master action?

- A. Comment immediately to express how you feel
- B. Share it so others can be angry too
- C. Stop, question your emotional reaction, and look for credible sources
- D. Assume it's true because everyone's talking about it

(Circle one)

8. Extended Response (2–3 sentences)

Describe a time when strong emotions could lead someone to make a bad online decision. How would the AQBS Rule help prevent it?

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