



How to Spot Fake News

- *Consider the Source* - Click away from the story to investigate the site, its mission and its contact info.
- *Read Beyond* - Headlines can be outrageous in an effort to get clicks. What's the whole story?
- *Check the Author* - Do a quick search on the author. Are they credible? Are they real?
- *Supporting Sources?* - Click on those links. Determine if the info given actually supports the story.
- *Check the Date* - Reposting old news stories doesn't mean they're relevant to current events.
- *Is it a Joke?* - If it is too outlandish, it might be satire. Research the site and author to be sure.
- *Check your Biases* - Consider if your own beliefs could affect your judgment.
- *Ask the Experts* - Ask a librarian or consult a fact-checking site.

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