

Misinformation, Disinformation, Malinformation

A. Fill in the blanks with the correct prefix: dis-, mis- or mal-.

(💡 A prefix is a group of letters added to the start of a word that changes its meaning.)

1. _____ use = to use wrongly
2. _____ honest = not honest
3. _____ function = to work badly
4. _____ ware = bad or harmful software
5. _____ connected = no longer connected
6. _____ understand = to understand wrongly

B. Choose the correct prefix for each definition.

1. _____ information = wrongly understood or shared information, but not on purpose.
2. _____ information = information that is not true and is shared on purpose to deceive.
3. _____ information = information that maybe true, but is taken out of context to cause harm.

C. Read the examples and choose whether each is misinformation, disinformation or malinformation.

1. A YouTuber says "the earth is flat" because they genuinely believe it. → _____
2. A screenshot of a student's DM is posted online to embarrass them. → _____
3. An influencer fakes statistics in a sponsored video to make a product look more effective. → _____
4. A TikTok claims drinking 2 litres of Coke in one sitting cured their sickness, based on their actual experience.
→ _____
5. A government exaggerates statistics to scare people into supporting a new law. → _____
6. A real statistic about rising phone use is shared without context, claiming it proves teens are lazy and failing at school.
→ _____