

HOW TO SPOT FAKE NEWS

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Investigate the site, its mission and its contact information.

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Headlines can be crazy to get clicks. Investigate more. What is the whole story?

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Do a quick search on the author. Is he/she credible? Is he/she real?

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Click on those links. Determine if the information supports the story.

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Reposting old news stories doesn't mean they're relevant to current events.

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Is it too crazy? Is it satire? Research the site and author to be sure.

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Consider if your beliefs affect your judgement.

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Ask a librarian, or consult a fact-checking site.

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ARE YOU IMPARTIAL?

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CHECK THE AUTHOR

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ASK THE EXPERTS

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CHECK THE DATE

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SUPPORTING SOURCES?

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READ MORE

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IS IT A JOKE?

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CONSIDER THE SOURCE