

**WE CAN'T
STOP FAKE
NEWS FROM
BEING
MADE, BUT
WE CAN
STOP
SHARING IT.**

**”RIGHT NOW, MANY PEOPLE NAIVELY BELIEVE WHAT THEY READ ON SOCIAL MEDIA.
WHEN THE TELEVISION BECAME POPULAR, PEOPLE ALSO BELIEVED EVERYTHING ON TV WAS TRUE.
IT’S HOW PEOPLE CHOOSE TO REACT AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND NEWS THAT’S IMPORTANT. NOT THE MECHANISMS THAT DISTRIBUTE THEM.”**

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Types of false information

1. Clickbait
2. Propaganda
3. Satire / Parody
4. Careless journalism
5. Misleading headlines
6. Biased / inclined news

How do you find false information?

1. Take a closer look
2. Look beyond the title
3. Check other sources
4. Check the facts
5. Check your biases
6. Check out the site, is it known for satire or for creating funny stories?

What is false information?

False information is news, stories or pranks created to deliberately misinform or mislead readers. These stories are usually created either to influence people's opinions or to promote a political agenda or to cause confusion, and can often be a profitable business for online publishers. False information can mislead people into looking at trusted websites or using similar names and web addresses for reputable news organizations.

According to Martina Chapman (Media Literacy Expert), there are three elements to fake news; "Distrust, misinformation and manipulation."

Increasing false information

The Internet has allowed a whole new way to publish, share, and consume information and news with very few regulations or editorial standards. We receive news from social media sites and networks, and it can often be difficult to tell whether the stories are believable or not. Overloading information and a general lack of understanding of how the internet works by people have also contributed to an increase in fake news or fake stories.



Fact-checking sites

Snopes: [snopes.com/](https://www.snopes.com/)

PolitiFact: [politifact.com](https://www.politifact.com/)

Checking the facts [factcheck.org/](https://www.factcheck.org/)

BBC Reality Check: [bbc.com/news/reality-check](https://www.bbc.com/news/reality-check)

Google image reverse

lookup: [google.com/reverse-image-search](https://www.google.com/reverse-image-search)
[channel4.com/news/factcheck](https://www.channel4.com/news/factcheck)

