Detecting Fake News

- Install an app like Web of Trust (https://www.mywot.com/) into your browser or factcheck it yourself using non-partisan sites like FactCheck.org, Snopes.com, & PolitiFact.com
- Read beyond the headline or photograph
- Examine your source: remember that blog posts, tweets, FB status updates, etc. are NOT vetted news sources
- Examine the URL
- Be wary of confirmation bias (believing something is true because it confirms one's existing beliefs or theories)
- Finally, ask yourself these important questions before sharing:

  o *Who wrote this? What are the author's qualifications? What are the author's potential biases?*
  o *Who published this? Is this from a respected news source? Is it an opinion/editorial piece or a report?*
  o *When was it published?*
  o *What sources does the article use to support its claim? Are they reliable sources of information in this context?*
  o *Who is interviewed, and why? Are they reliable sources of information in this context?*
  o *Are there multiple sources used? Are all of these sources from the same author/news site?*
  o *Is any other site reporting this news? If so, how does their coverage line up with your source's coverage?*

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