

Misinformation

Debunking Myths and
Finding Reliable News Sources

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MISINFORMATION



https://www.fredericknewspost.com/terms/special/cartoon/i-cannot-tell-a-lie/image_3712ebeo-f375-53fb-a4c2-3fa24e4dc383.html

PROBLEMS FACING UNITED STATES TODAY

DRUG ADDICTION

70%

AFFORDABILITY OF HEALTH CARE

67%

U.S. POLITICAL SYSTEM

52%

GAP BETWEEN RICH AND POOR

51%

MADE-UP NEWS/INFO

50%

VIOLENT CRIME

49%

CLIMATE CHANGE

46%

RACISM

40%

Alternative **FACTS**

NBC Meet The Press; S 73; Ep 50; Dec 29, 2019

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MEET THE PRESS 

Semantics

Disinformation is false information spread deliberately to deceive.

This is a subset of **misinformation**, which also may be unintentional.

-Wikipedia

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Disinformation>

The World Students Inhabit is Unclear



Stanford History Education Group: Civic Online Reasoning

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LHLBMTUvj6o&feature=youtu.be>

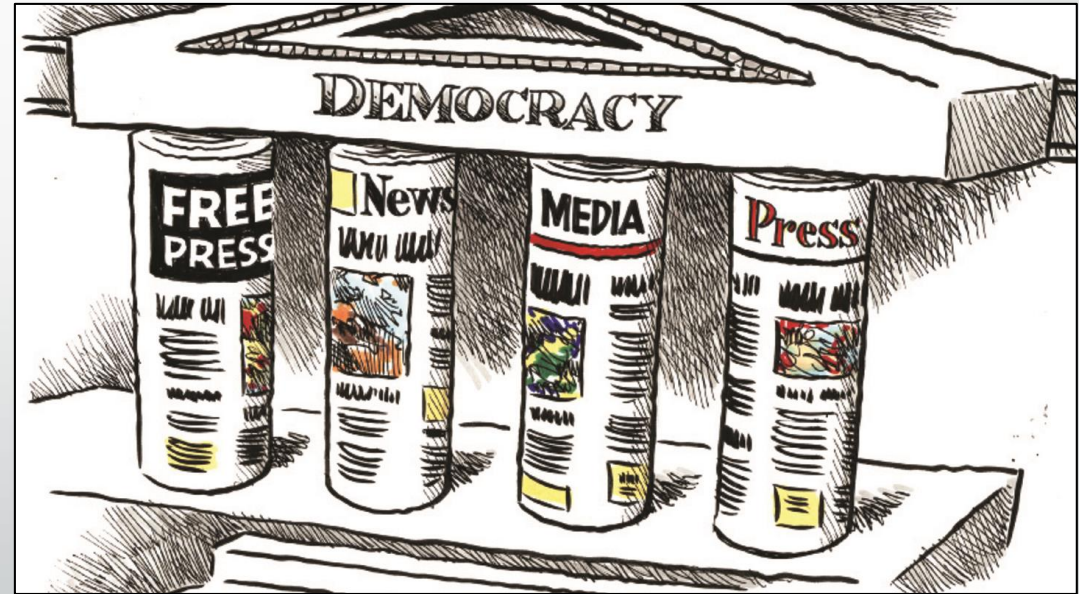
Bill of Rights – 1st Amendment

- Misinformation is protected (with limits) by the first amendment.
- The first amendment protects you from *government* censorship, but not censorship by other entities such as employers, social media, etc.

Amendment I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

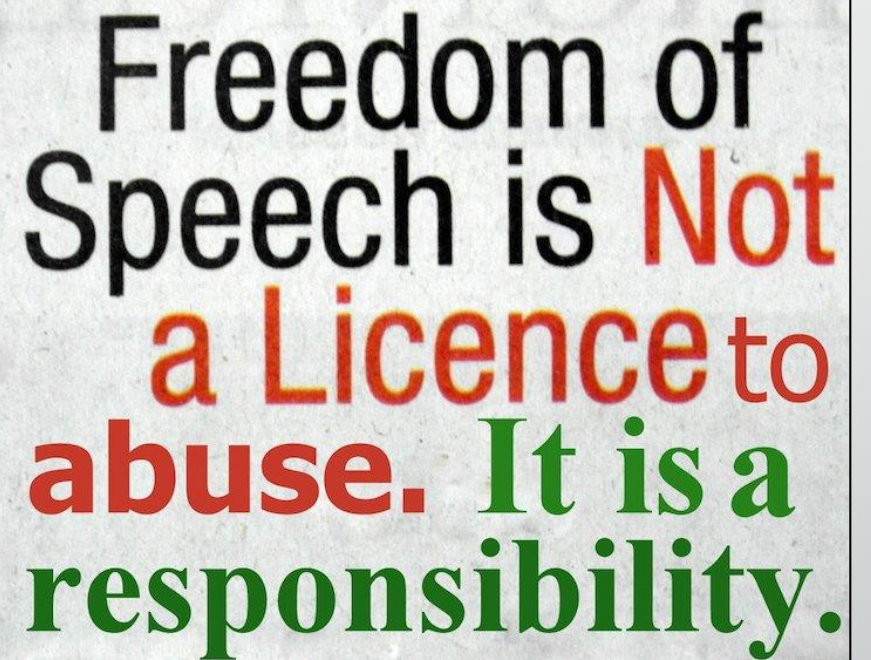
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Limits on Freedom of Speech

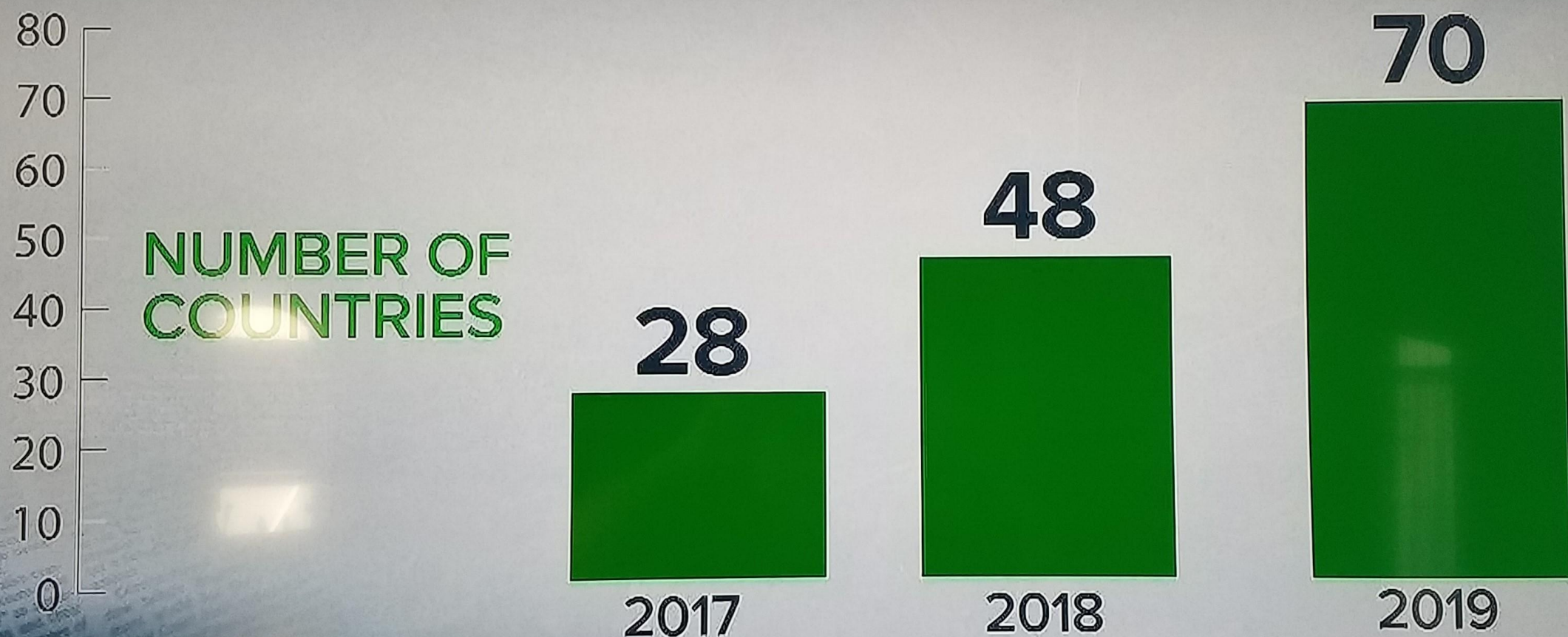
- Citizens cannot express their freedoms at the same time they are infringing on the rights/freedoms of other citizens.
- Slander: Knowingly and maliciously lying about someone.
- Libel: Knowingly and maliciously printing a lie about someone.

(Hate speech is also protected.)



Freedom of
Speech is **Not**
a Licence to
abuse. It is a
responsibility.

SOCIAL MEDIA MANIPULATION CAMPAIGNS



Alternative **FACTS**

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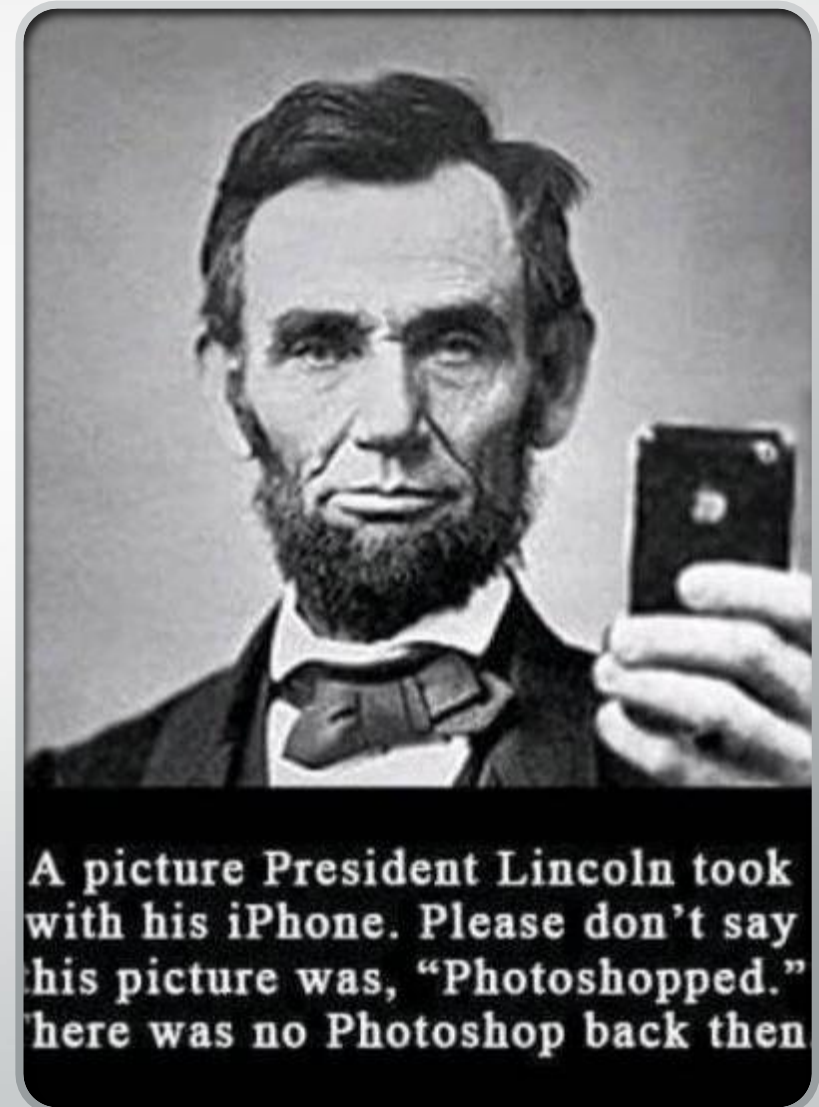
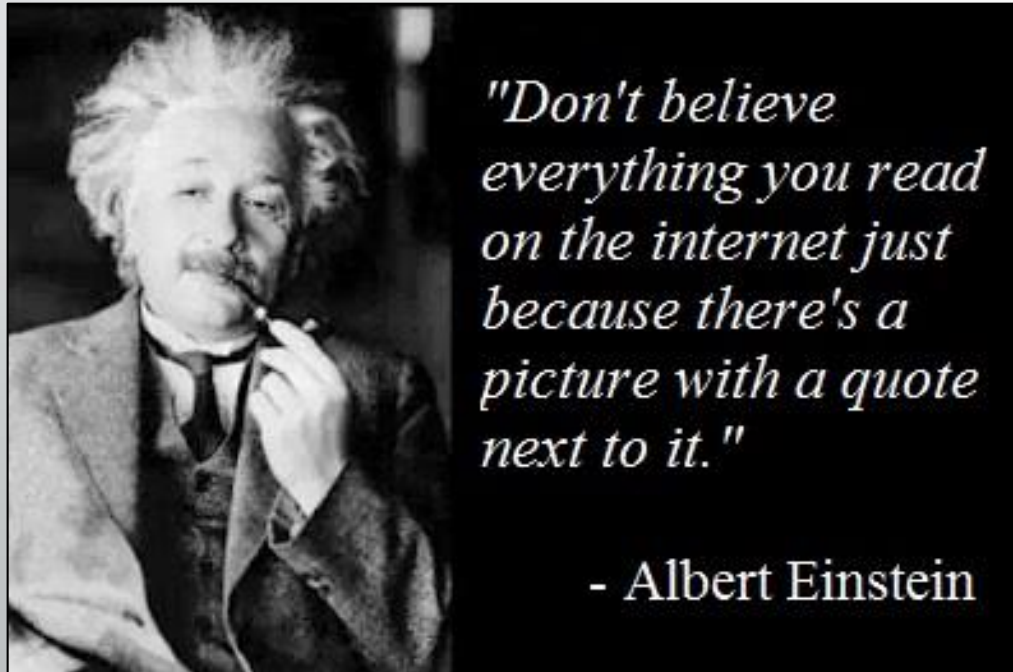
**60 Minutes Interview
12/1/2019**

**YouTube CEO Susan
Wojcicki and the debate
over Section 230**



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rxdlN3dXmTg>

I found it on
the Internet
so it must be true.



Why Do People Believe Things That Are Untrue?



Belief Perseverance

Maintaining a belief despite new information that firmly contradicts it. The human mind will go to great lengths to keep the peace. We don't like being wrong and we don't like the discomfort of relearning something.

<https://science.howstuffworks.com/science-vs-myth/everyday-myths/why-people-believe-things-science-proved-untrue.htm>

Learn more



Why Do People Believe Things That Are Untrue?



Cognitive Dissonance

The mental discomfort of facing inconsistency in one's thoughts, beliefs, perceptions and/or behaviors.

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Why Do People Believe Things That Are Untrue?



Confirmation Bias

We are more likely to believe (or seek or remember or even notice) the "facts" that support our current viewpoints, and less likely to believe the ones that would require mental adjustment. The more deeply ingrained or self-defining or consequential the current viewpoint, the further the mind might go to ignore the new evidence that would disprove it. Attempts to debunk an irrational belief will tend instead to reinforce it, as the believer may have come to see his or her perseverance as heroic, as standing up to the "establishment".

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Why Do People Believe Things That Are Untrue?



Denialism

"Reinterpreting the evidence" involves analyzing any new facts in such a way as to support the original belief. When faced with overwhelming evidence individuals may determine "evidence" to be the product of a far-reaching medical, governmental, and corporate conspiracies.

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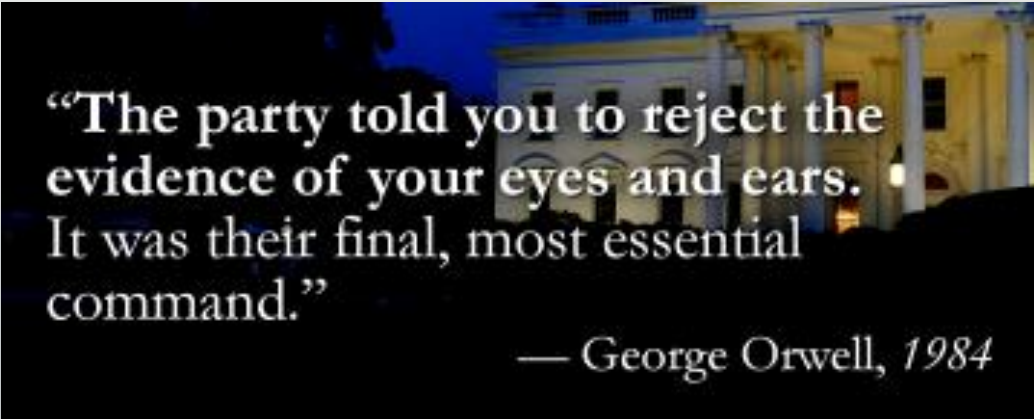
Why Do People Believe Things That Are Untrue?



Influence of the Internet: One can seek out "experts" who support the irrational belief through pseudoscience, misinterpretations, misrepresentations, and logical fallacies. Those looking to maintain an irrational viewpoint need only perform a simple search to locate fellow believers, entire communities of them, and the "experts" who back it all up with appropriate jargon.

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**Alternative
Facts!**



“The party told you to reject the
evidence of your eyes and ears.
It was their final, most essential
command.”

— George Orwell, *1984*

**Sharing evidence which contradicts
someone's staunchly held opinion
or belief can be a powerful and
effective way to inspire them to
really look deep inside themselves
and ask...**



**"Which website could help
me ignore all this contrary
evidence and believe my
original belief even harder?"**



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i still think my favourite thing that's ever happened to me on the internet is the time a guy said "people change their minds when you show them facts" and I said "actually studies show that's not true" and linked TWO sources and he said "yeah well I still think it works"

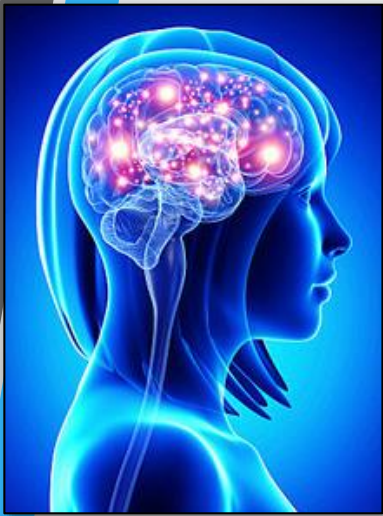
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9,164 Retweets **46.8K** Likes



Why Do People Believe Things That Are Untrue?

Cognitive Ability: How well a person can regulate the contents of working memory – their “mental workspace” for processing information.



- ..some people are more prone to “mental clutter” than other people. In other words, some people are less able to discard (or “inhibit”) information from their working memory that is no longer relevant to the task at hand - or... information that has been discredited.
- ...correlates highly with education. Through education, people may develop meta-cognitive skills - strategies for monitoring and regulating one’s own thinking - that can be used to combat the effects of misinformation.
- Research on cognitive aging indicates that, in adulthood, this ability declines considerably with advancing age, suggesting that older adults may also be especially vulnerable to [misinformation].

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/cognitive-ability-and-vulnerability-to-fake-news/>

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Neuroscience



Research published in the journal *PLOS ONE*, 2009: Overall, there [is] greater brain activation that persist[s] for longer during states of disbelief. Greater brain activation requires more cognitive resources, of which there is a limited supply. What these findings show is that the mental process of believing is simply less work for the brain, and therefore often favored. The default state of the human brain is to accept what we are told, because doubt takes effort. Belief, on the other hand, comes easily.


- Bobby Azarian, neuroscientist affiliated with George Mason University

https://www.rawstory.com/2019/12/a-neuroscientist-explains-why-christian-evangelicals-are-wired-to-believe-donald-trumps-gaslighting-lies/?fbclid=IwAR3HoaJzCtDIKUANx452Ju1H4EmFcg_1kMIGFA2dj57AwVFiaVPafWOLwrl

Learn more




Fact vs Opinion



Some people believe that OPINION can supersede FACT.

Everyone gets to have their own opinion.

We all share the same facts. There are no ALTERNATIVE facts.



Fact or Opinion

Fact: an actual thing that exists and is provable, observable, and measurable.

Look for Signal Words:

numbers	corroborate
statistics	record
verified	substantiate
document	prove
eyewitness	photographs

My Mom's new car gets 35 miles per gallon in the city and 45 miles per gallon on the interstate.

Last night, we took a photograph to prove that raccoons have been raiding our garbage cans.

Opinion: a personal belief or judgment that is not founded on proof or certainty.

Look for Signal Words:

good/bad	might
believe	should
think	guess
always	interpretation
never	point of view

My dad thinks we should get a compact car because we might get better gas mileage.

Although raccoons are cute, Mom believes they are a menace and should be taken to a wildlife sanctuary.

Facts are certainties

Opinions are disputable



Some People Do Not Trust Science (...nullifies fact-checking?)

8/2/2019

Overall, 86% of Americans say they have at least “a fair amount” of confidence in scientists to act in the public interest. This includes 35% who have “a great deal” of confidence, up from 21% in 2016.

But a partisan divide persists. More Democrats (43%) than Republicans (27%) have “a great deal” of confidence in scientists – a difference of 16 percentage points.

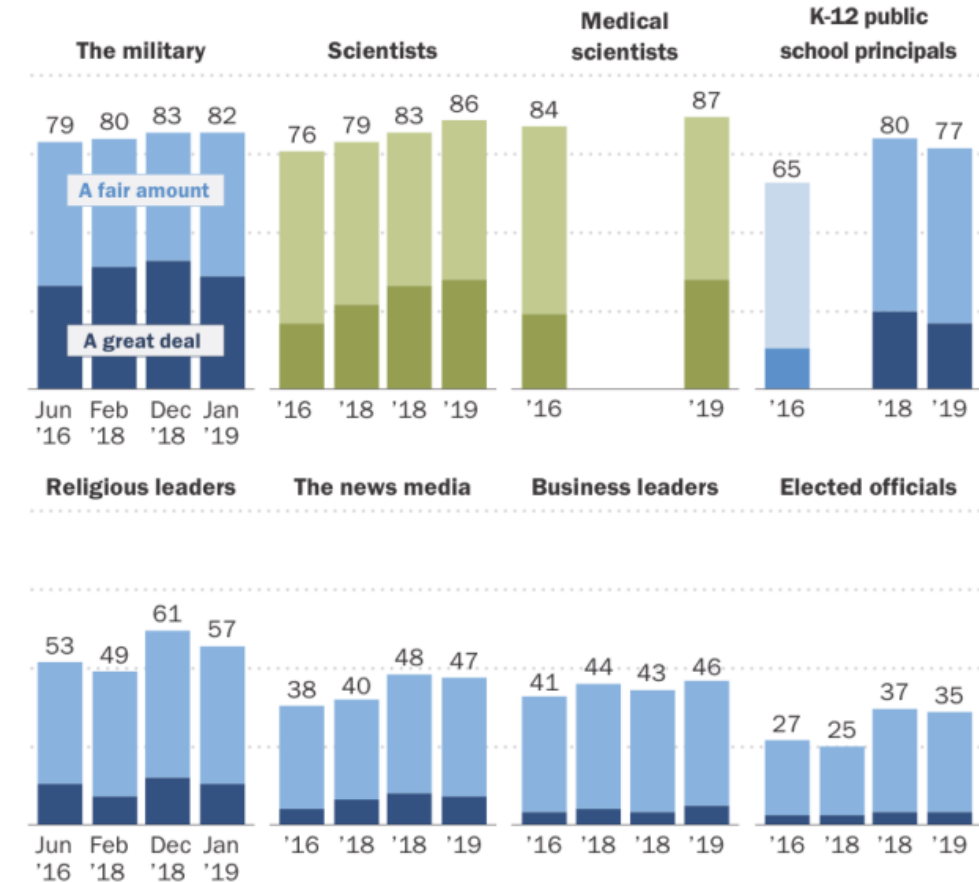
<https://www.pewresearch.org/science/2019/08/02/trust-and-mistrust-in-americans-views-of-scientific-experts/>

Learn more



Americans' confidence that scientists act in the public interest is up since 2016

% of U.S. adults who say they have a great deal or fair amount of confidence in each of the following groups to act in the best interests of the public



Note: In 2016, question asked about confidence in K-12 public school principals and superintendents. Respondents were randomly assigned to rate either their confidence in “scientists” or “medical scientists” in 2016 and 2019. Respondents who gave other responses or who did not give an answer are not shown.

Source: Survey conducted Jan 7-21, 2019.

“Trust and Mistrust in Americans’ Views of Scientific Experts”

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What refutes science:

- Better science

What doesn't refute science:

- Your feelings
 - Your religion
 - Your favorite politician
 - Your half-baked opinion after watching two YouTube videos
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Some People Do Not Trust Journalists



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2016

Fact Checking: Non-Partisan

12/16/2019

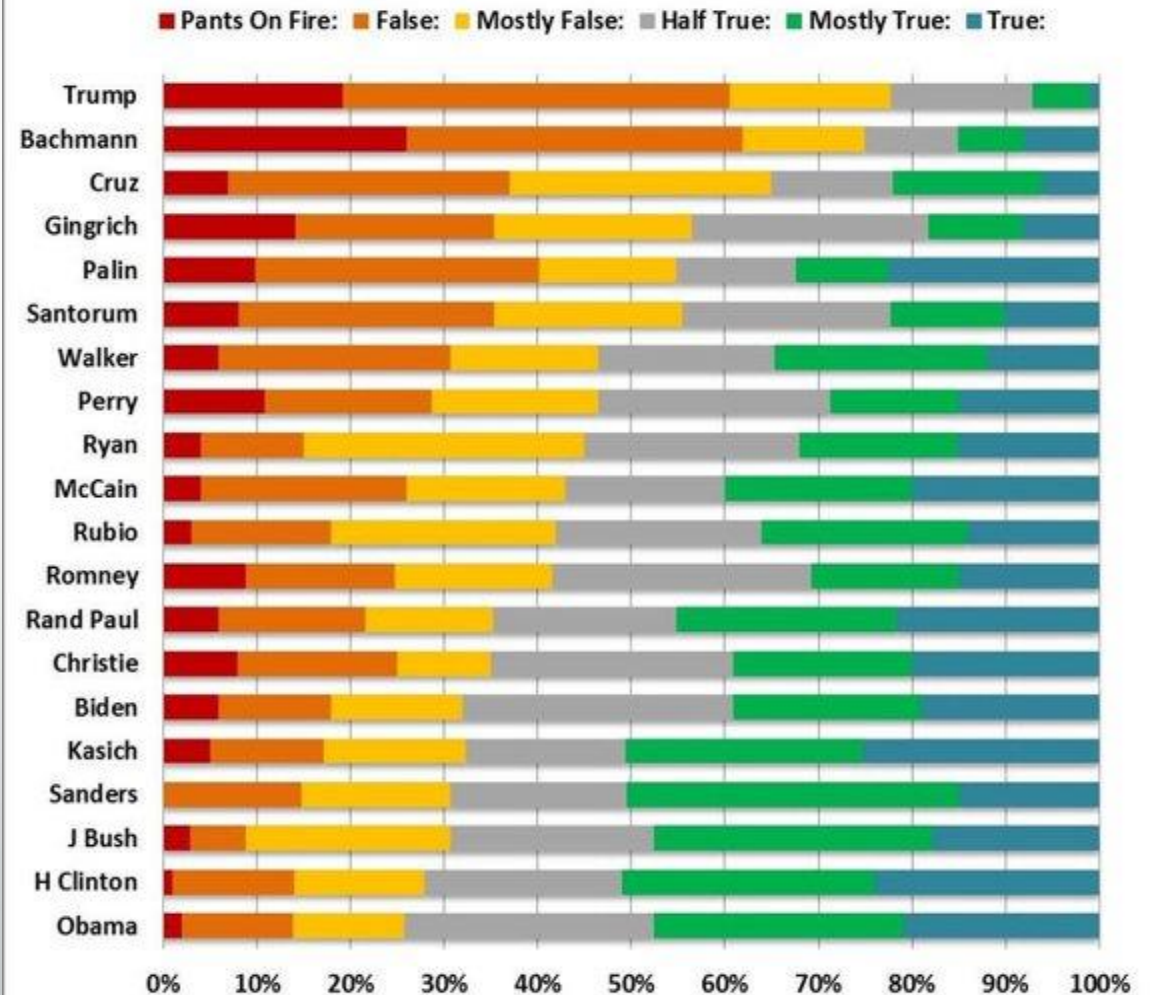
WASHINGTONPOST.COM

Analysis | President Trump has made 15,413 false or misleading claims over 1,055 days

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/donald-trump-daily-lies-presidency-washington-post_n_5da565cbe4b0058374e81392

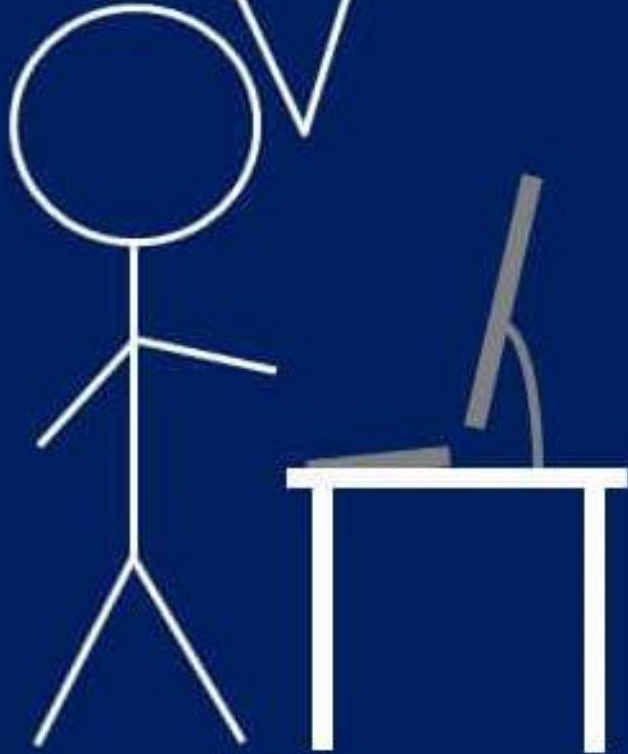
Who Lies More: A Comparison

PolitiFact, an independent fact-checking website, has graded more than 50 statements since 2007 from each of these candidates. Here is how they rank.



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Did you fact
check this
before
reposting it?



I don't need to. It
agrees with my
preconceived views
and biases so it must
be true!

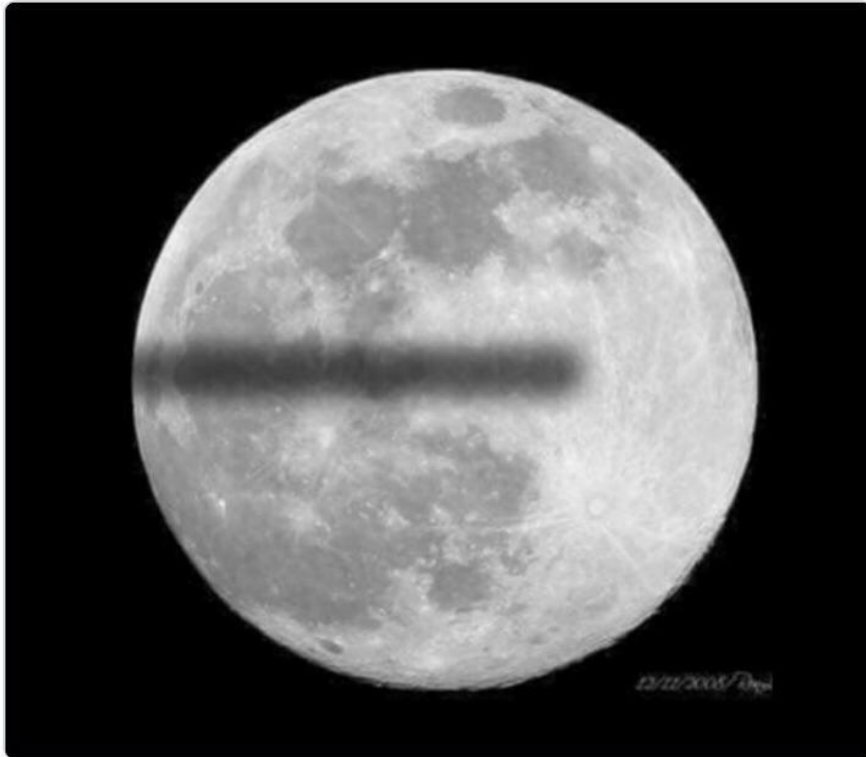




Neil deGrasse Tyson ✓
@neiltyson



A Lunar Eclipse flat-Earther's have never seen.

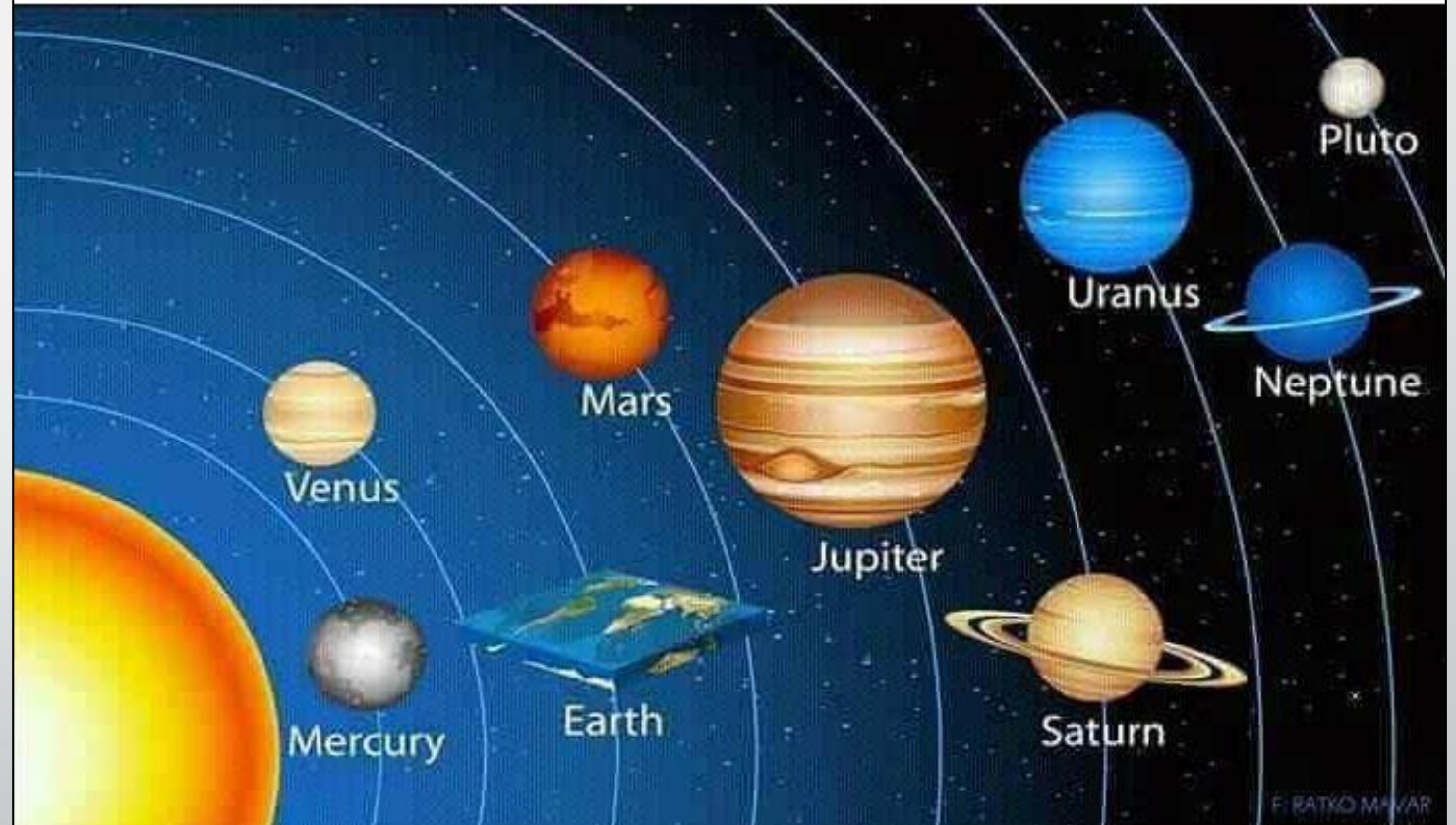


5:08 PM · Nov 26, 2017

56,729 Retweets 186,493 Likes

Flat Earth

Crazy how nature does that





Today we salute the 400,000 people involved in faking six moon landings

for keeping their mouths shut for 50 years.

fb.com/skepticalmemesociety

<https://ascienceenthusiast.com/49-years-ago-today-celebrating-over-400k-people-who-helped-nasa-fake-the-moon-landing/>

Message Hoaxes



THANK YOU, @markzuckerburg MARK ZUCKERBERG, for your forward-thinking generosity! And congrats on becoming a dad! Mark Zuckerberg has announced that he is giving away \$45 billion of Facebook stock. What you may not have heard is that he plans to give 10% of it away to people like YOU and ME! All you have to do is copy and paste this message into a post IMMEDIATELY. At midnight PST, Facebook will search through the day's posts and award 1000 people with \$4.5 million EACH as a way of saying thank you for making Facebook such a powerful vehicle for connection and philanthropy. I hope someone I know gets a piece of the pie--let me know if you do!!!

Share

Money will not be given away

- Bill Gates
- Mark Zuckerberg
- Nigerian Prince

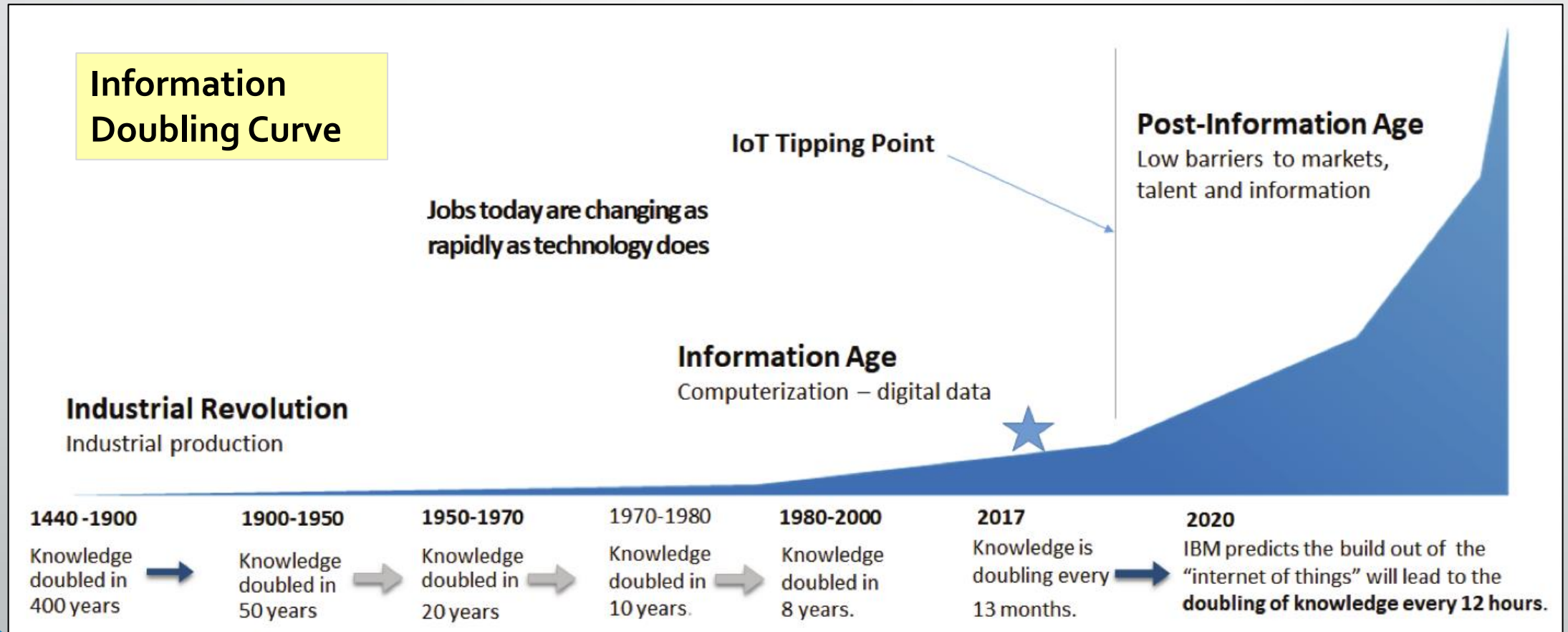
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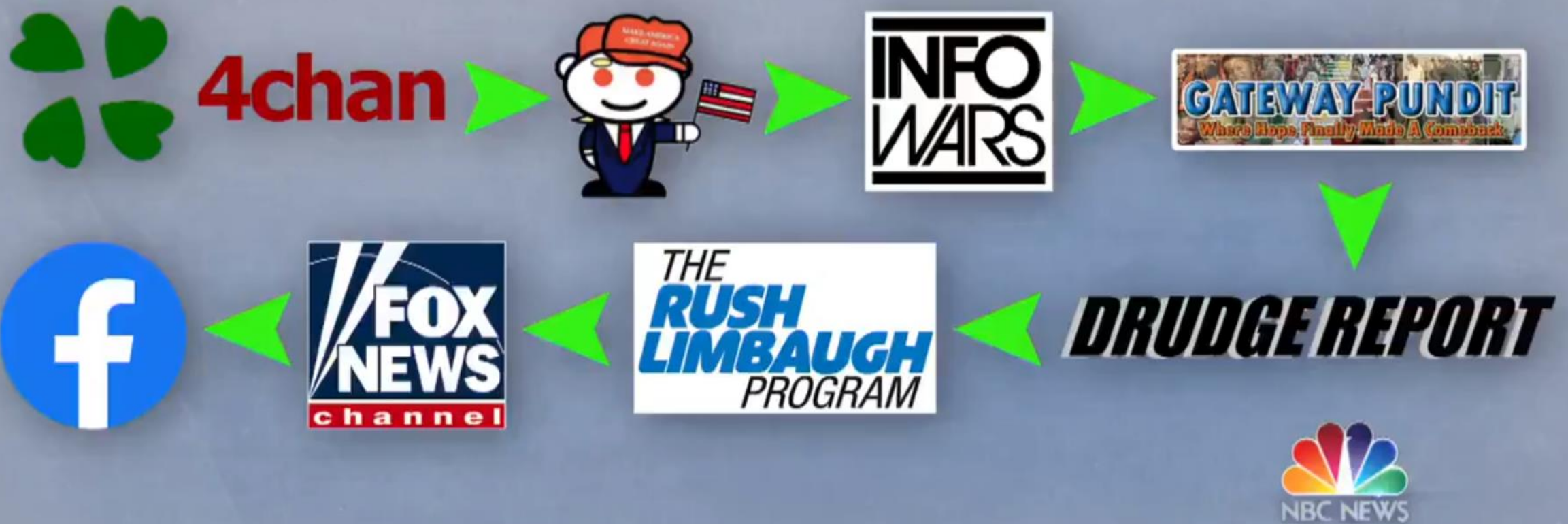
“Probably not true, but it can’t hurt anything so here goes.....”

We are on constant information overload. We have an ethical obligation to share truth.



<https://www.asm.org/Articles/2019/June/Altering-the-Academic-Ecosystem-Graduate-Education>

CHAIN OF INTENTIONALLY BAD INFORMATION





IN THE AGE OF INFORMATION
**IGNORANCE IS A
CHOICE**

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 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 judgement.



ASK THE EXPERTS

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





Top Six **RED FLAGS** that a “News Story” Is:

Unreliable
Disreputable
Embarrassing for you to share

Your B.S. detector
should say:



It explicitly states that it is telling the truth, and/or everyone else is lying to you

“We know the truth!”
“What the (media/government/corporations) are hiding from you!”
“This is definitely true”

If they have to preface it by swearing it’s true, it’s probably not.



It contains short, conclusory opinion statements

“It’s all hogwash.”
“The media has it all wrong.”

Good journalists typically don’t write like this.



It is organized as a list of questions or hypotheses

“Why wasn’t this...?”
“It doesn’t add up that...”
“It’s really unlikely that X happened...”

This is literally the opposite of news, which is answers, not questions.



It puts the burden on YOU to answer the questions

“If you can’t answer these questions...”
“Do you REALLY know what happened?”

WTF? I thought you were supposed to be the journalist here.



It asks you to prove a negative, which is often impossible

“No one has proven that the government WASN’T involved!”
“They SAY it was X, but how do you know it wasn’t Y?”

Pro tip: Don’t try this argument in court.



It suggests an insidious plot by “someone” (“the media,” “elites,” “corporations,” “the government”) but doesn’t say exactly what the plot IS or provide any evidence for it

“No one knows how deep this goes...”
“There’s no telling who’s behind all of this...”

Cool story, bro.



Top Sites for Fact Checking

TOP 5 FACT-CHECKING RESOURCES

The search for factual information is endless in the digital age. Here are five fact-checking resources we rely on to help us tackle rumors and misinformation.



SNOPEs

Snopes.com investigates all types of information online, including urban legends, myths and rumors.

POLITIFACT

PolitiFact uses the Truth-O-Meter™ to evaluate statements made by elected officials, political candidates, activists and more.

FACTCHECK.ORG

Factcheck.org seeks to combine aspects of both journalism and scholarship to provide accurate information to media consumers.

AMERICAN PRESS INSTITUTE

The American Press Institute's new project provides vetted resources for fact-checkers and journalists.

WASHINGTON POST FACT CHECKER

Journalist Glenn Kessler responds to questions from the public and rates statements on a scale of one to four "Pinocchios."



Top Sites for Fact Checking

- 1. Snopes.com**
<http://snopes.com>
- 2. Google**
<http://google.com>
- 3. Politifact Truth-O-Meter**
<https://www.politifact.com/truth-o-meter/>
- 4. FactCheck.org**
<https://www.factcheck.org/>
- 5. That's nonsense**
<http://www.thatsnonsense.com/>
- 6. About Urban legends**
<http://urbanlegends.about.com/>
- 7. Break the Chain**
<http://www.breakthechain.org/>
- 8. TruthOrFiction.com**
<http://www.truthorfiction.com/>
- 9. FullFact.org**
<https://fullfact.org/>
- 10. Sophos**
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- 11. Hoax-Slayer**
<https://www.hoax-slayer.net/>
- 12. Symantec**
http://www.symantec.com/business/security_response/threatexplorer/risks/hoaxes.jsp

Snopes Ratings



True



Mostly True



Mixture



Mostly False



False



Unproven



Outdated



Miscaptioned



Correct Attribution



Misattributed



Scam



Legend



Labeled Satire



Lost Legend

<https://www.snopes.com/fact-check-ratings/>

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MEDIA ACCURACY



<https://www.gettyimages.com/detail/photo/old-fashioned-pinocchio-news-boy-holding-fake-royalty-free-image/893110848>

Reliable News Sources

10/22/2019

Nearly half of Americans recently polled believe “it’s difficult to know whether the information they encounter is true,” the Times **noted** this week. One can find dramatically different framing of events on television in **prime time** and on **social media**.

<https://www.politico.com/news/2019/11/22/jake-tapper-trump-gaslight-country-072888>



“And so, if you have one set of hypotheses that has evidence to support it and another hypotheses which has no evidence to support it, reporting on those two hypotheses in and of itself, is a distortion of the facts.”

-Michael McFaul, US Ambassador to Russia 2012-2014

NBC Meet The Press; S 73; Ep 50; Dec 29, 2019

11/05/2019

Reliable News Sources



No one should be discouraged from enjoying the holiday or celebrating with family and friends, but we're here to provide insight into the ingredients and dishes that have the largest ecological impact. The researchers we interviewed shared suggestions and alternative ingredients that cause less environmental damage.

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/thanksgiving-dinner-ecological-impact_1_5db07ef7e4bod5b78944bc6e

Reliable News Sources

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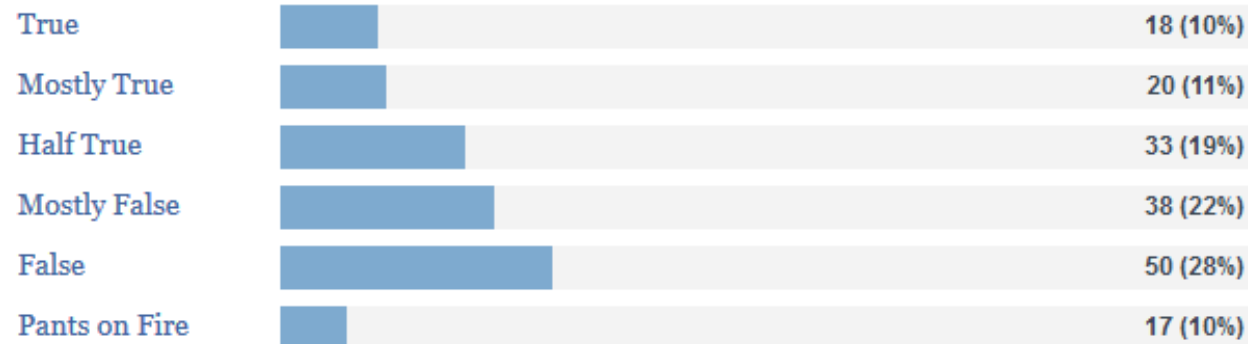
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Reliable News Sources

Statements made on FOX

Click on the ruling to see all of the statements made on FOX.



21% Mostly True to True
79% Half True to False to Lies
Avg 60% false

<https://www.politifact.com/punditfact/tv/fox/>

The Fox News Effect

In 2012, a Fairleigh Dickinson University survey reported that Fox News viewers were less informed about current events than people who didn't follow the news at all.

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/quora/2016/07/21/a-rigorous-scientific-look-into-the-fox-news-effect/#5da4793712ab>

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Reliable News Sources

4/2/2018

Sinclair
Broadcasting –
Owner of
multiple local
news stations



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwA4koE51Oo>

Reliable News Sources

Media Bias



- Coverage bias
- Gatekeeping bias
- Statement bias
- Advertising bias
- Concision bias
- Mainstream bias
- Partisan bias
- Sensationalism
- Structural bias
- False balance
- Undue weight
- Speculative content
- False timeliness
- Ventriloquism

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Media_bias

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BEYOND 'FAKE NEWS'

10 TYPES OF MISLEADING NEWS

propaganda  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> adopted by governments, corporations and non-profits to manage attitudes, values and knowledge appeals to emotions can be beneficial or harmful 	partisan  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ideological and includes interpretation of facts but may claim to be impartial privileges facts that conform to the narrative whilst forgoing others emotional and passionate language
clickbait  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> eye catching; sensational headlines designed to distract often misleading and content may not reflect headline drives ad revenue 	conspiracy theory  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> tries to explain simply complex realities as response to fear or uncertainty not falsifiable and evidence that refutes the conspiracy is regarded as further proof of the conspiracy rejects experts and authority
sponsored content  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> advertising made to look like editorial potential conflict of interest for genuine news organisations consumers might not identify content as advertising if it is not clearly labeled 	pseudoscience  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> purveyors of greenwashing, miracle cures, anti-vaccination and climate change denial misrepresents real scientific studies with exaggerated or false claims often contradicts experts
satire and hoax  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> social commentary or humour varies widely in quality and intended meaning may not be apparent can embarrass people who confuse the content as true 	misinformation  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes a mix of factual, false or partly-false content intention can be to inform but author may not be aware the content is false false attributions, doctored content and misleading headlines
error  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> established news organisations sometimes make mistakes mistakes can hurt the brand, offend or result in litigation reputable orgs publish apologies 	bogus  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> entirely fabricated content spread intentionally to disinform guerrilla marketing tactics; bots, comments and counterfeit branding motivated by ad revenue, political influence or both

DIG DEEPER...

false attribution authentic images, video or quotes are attributed to the wrong events or person	misleading content does not represent what the headline and captions suggest
counterfeit websites and Twitter accounts that pose as a well-known brand or person	doctored content content, such as statistics, graphs, photos and video have been modified or doctored

IMPACT	
	neutral
	low
	medium
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	money
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	passion
	(mis)inform

Fact-checking for educators and Future voters

FactBar EDU, 2018

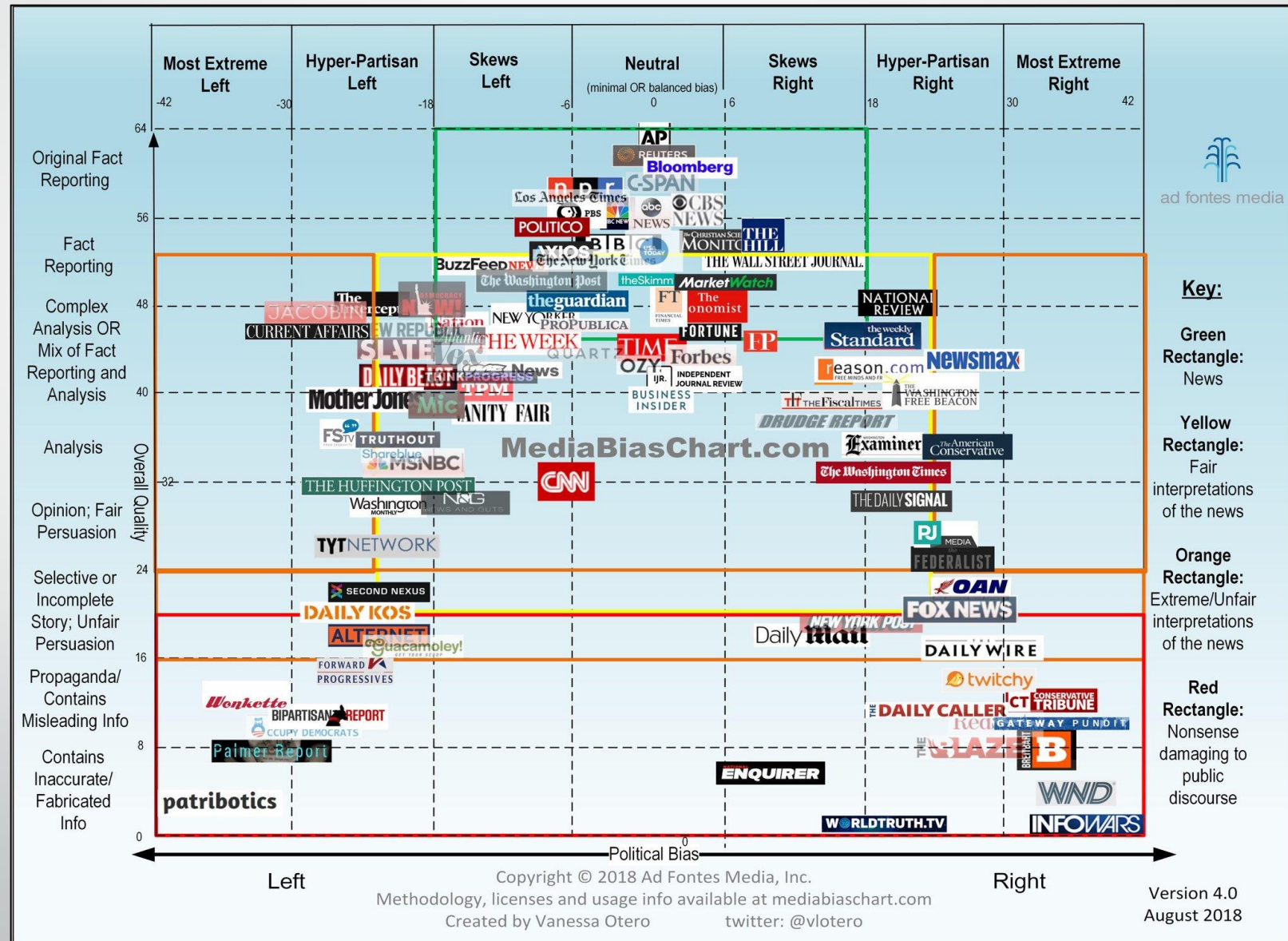
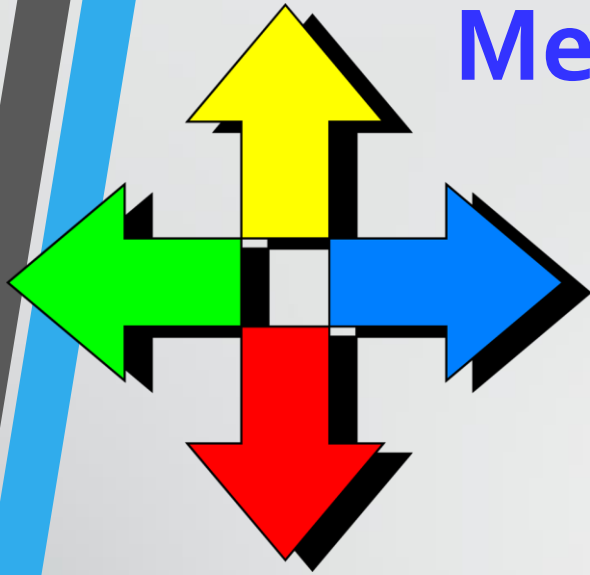
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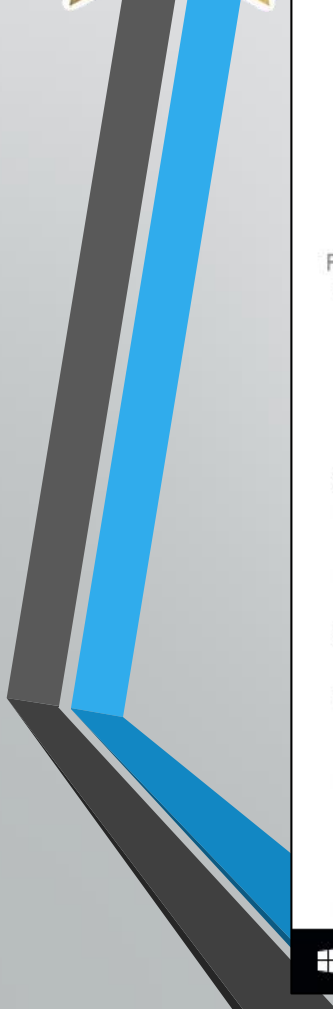
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Media Bias Chart – Vanessa Otero





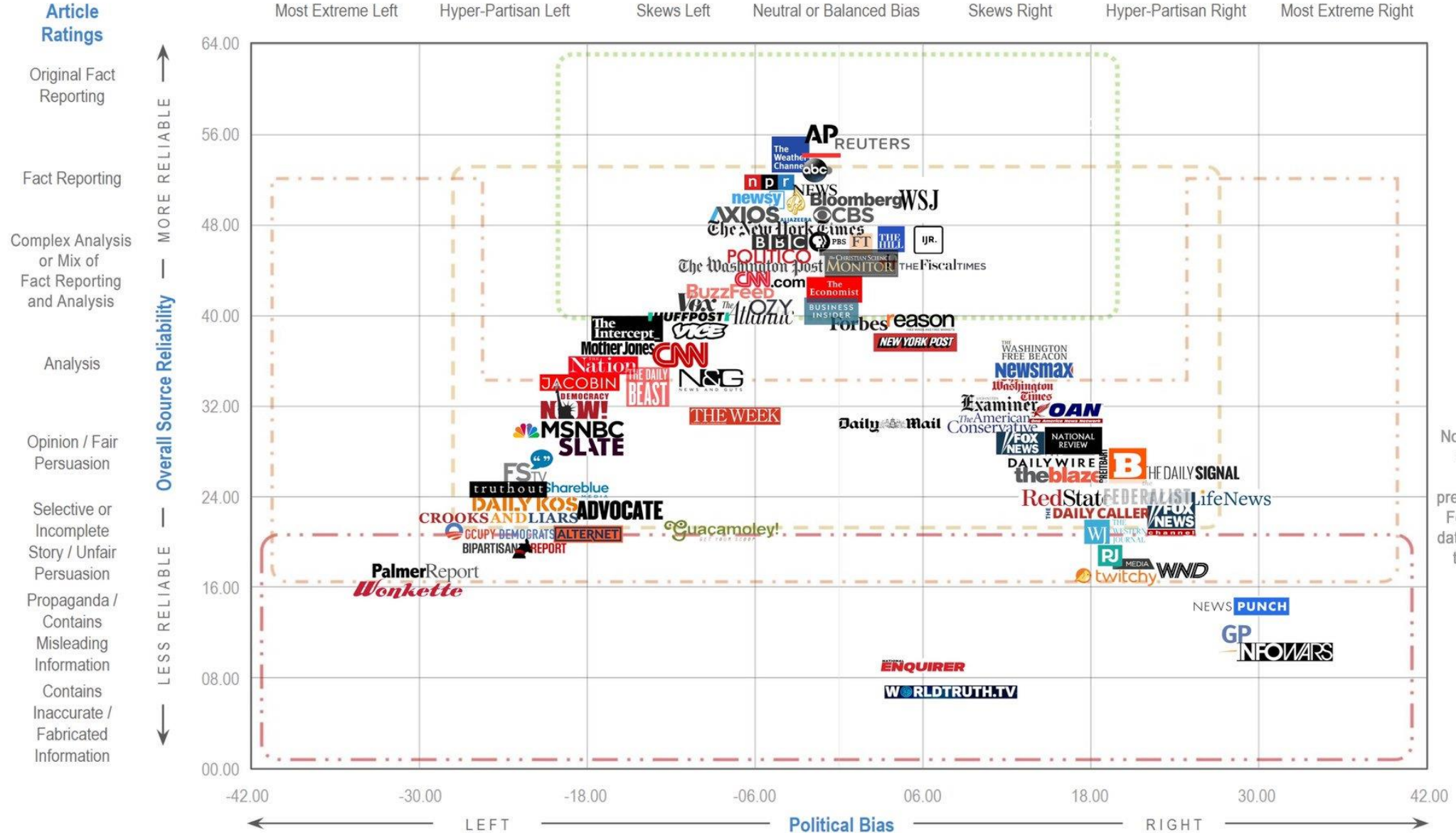
Political media's bias, in a single chart



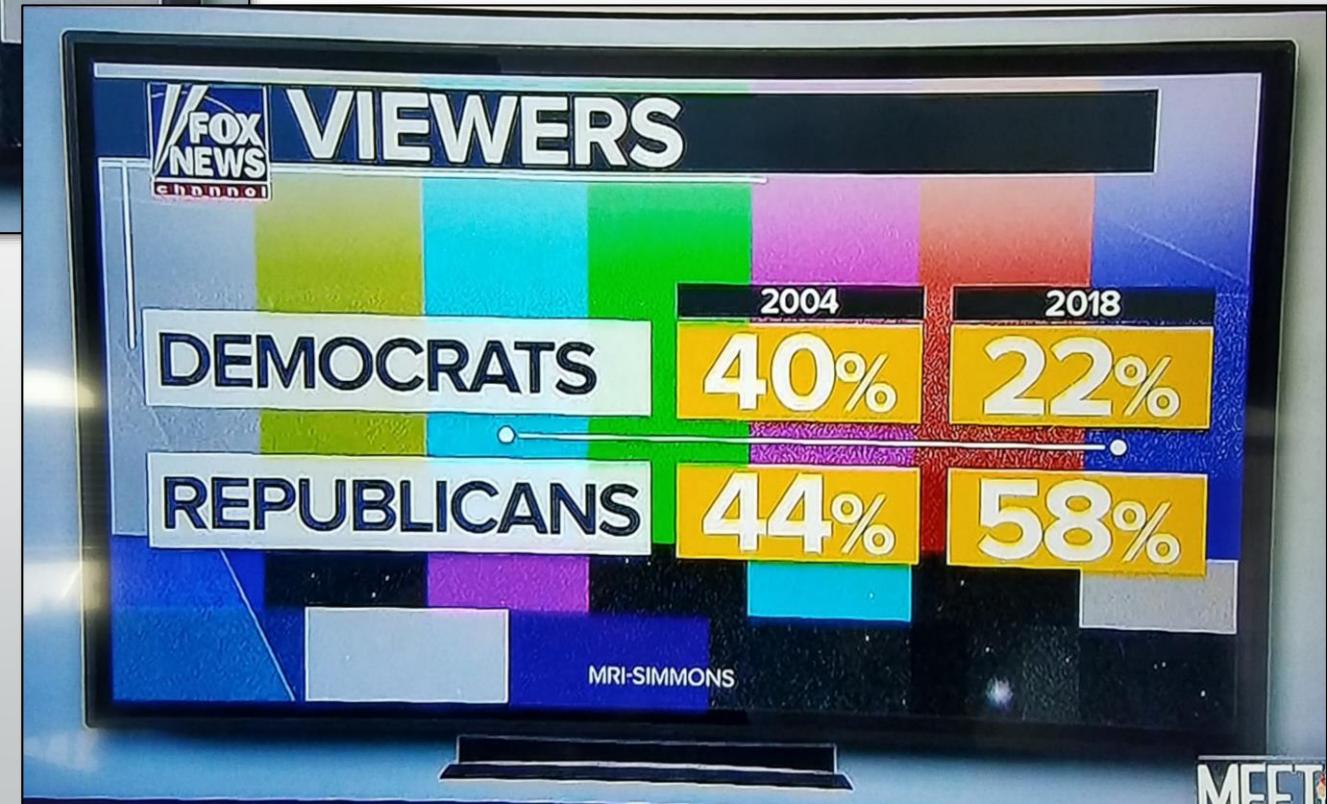
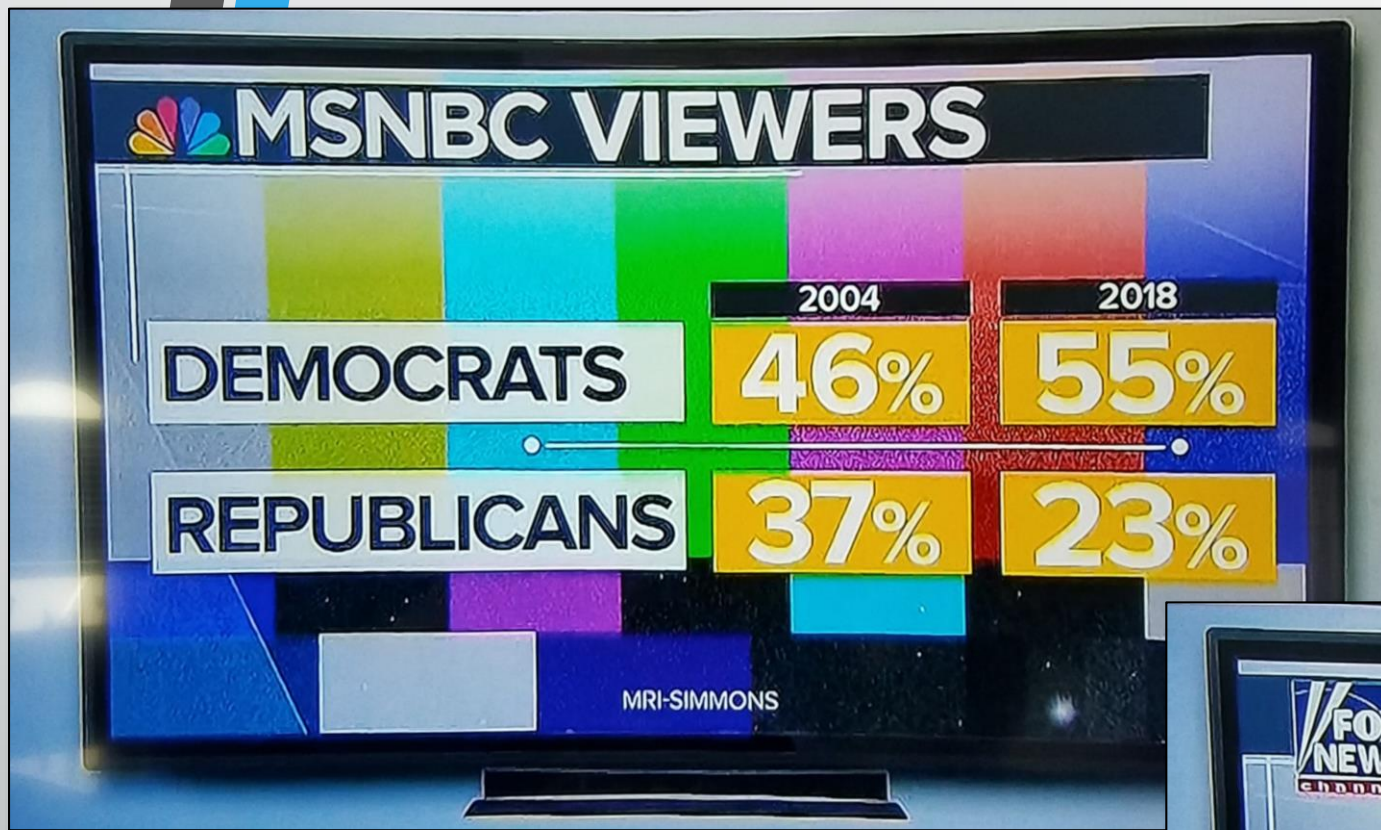
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The Media Bias Chart

Version 5.1



Who's Watching?



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The CRAAP Test

Developed by Sarah Blakeslee and her team of librarians at California State University

Evaluation tool for students to scrutinize a single source of information.



- Currency
- Relevance
- Authority
- Accuracy
- Purpose

Name: _____

Resource Type: Textbook/book Website Newspaper Video Other: _____

Title: _____

Publisher: _____

Date Published: _____ Author(s) _____

URL/Web Address (if needed): _____

Currency

Date Published?
Updated or Revised?
Does your topic need Current Information

R_elevance

Does it connect to your topic?
Who is the intended audience?
Appropriate for your topic?

A_uthority

Date Published?
Updated or Revised?
Does your topic need Current Information?
What is the URL end in?
Ex: .gov, .edu, .com
Who wrote/published this information?

A_ccuracy

Where does the information come from?
Is the information supported by evidence/facts?
Are there spelling or grammar errors?

Purpose

What is the purpose? To inform, teach, sell, entertain, or persuade
Is it information fact, opinion, or propaganda?
Does the point of view appear objective and impartial?
Are there political or personal biases?

Where's the starting place for helping students develop habits of resistance to misinformation, and habits of fact-checking? I wondered if you had any thoughts or advice that we can pass on to our educators?

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Vanessa Otero--Media Bias Chart <mediabiaschart@gmail.com>

Mon 11/25/2019 8:11 PM

Randy Warner ✉



Hi Randy,

I think the most fundamental place to start is to encourage students to get in the habit of doing two things to improve news literacy:

- 1) Read laterally, meaning reading multiple articles about the same topic from across the news media landscape (high reliability and low reliability, left, right, and center). The importance of this habit is the fundamental premise of our software platform and approach to teaching news literacy. When students see how the same story gets covered in different news sources, they develop an awareness that there are drastic differences and as a result, they learn to look out for reliability and bias issues.
- 2) Proactively choose the news sources you read, rather than having it selected for you by an algorithm (in your social media feed) or an app (e.g., Apple News, which decides what four stories are the most important for the day). This means students should visit actual news sites and the apps of the news sources themselves. Algorithm-based selection that is done for you by your feed tends to show you only sources that reinforce existing biases.

Hope that helps!

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The LART

Lateral
Accuracy
and
Reliability
Tool

A tool to laterally
evaluate several news
sources for similar
information to support
the validity of the news
item.

Lateral Accuracy and Reliability Tool (LART) for News Analysis

News story title / summary statement:								
	Identify comparative reliable* news sources below. For each source, score + for the key statements agreeing with main source's key statements and ideas. Total possible number of + : _____							
Key statements or ideas								Total score for each idea:
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Average of LART scores:								/
Convert to LART percent:								%

*Use news sources identified highly reliable as rated by the Media Bias Chart, Ad Fontes Media.

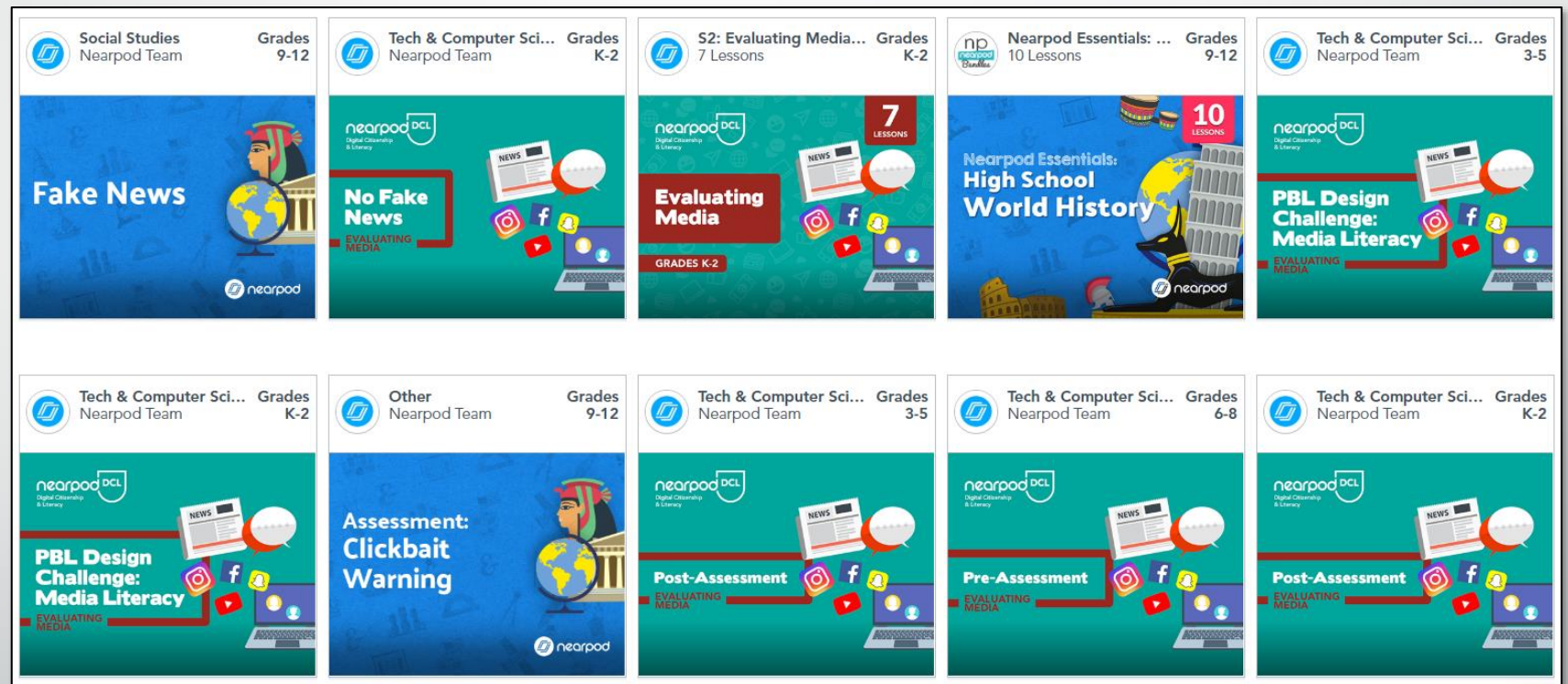
LART percent of 50% or lower indicates very low lateral agreement in all or parts of the original story. LART scores approaching 100% support the accuracy and validity of the original source news story.



Media Literacy Lessons at Your Fingertips!

- Log into Nearpod and check out the “fake news” [lessons](#) for all age groups!
- Presentations are pre-packaged and modifiable.

Learn more



<https://nearpod.com/t/search?q=fake%20news&t=0>

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Do not hesitate to copy and paste on your wall so you can have more interaction with all your contacts and bypass the system. That's why we don't see all posts from our friends.

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in a blue, lowercase, sans-serif font, is displayed within a white rectangular box.

As of September 29th , 2015 at 3:56 p.m., I do not give Facebook or any entities associated with Facebook permission to use my pictures, information, or posts, both past and future. By this statement, I give notice to Facebook it is strictly forbidden to disclose, copy, distribute, or take any other action against me based on this profile and/or its contents. The content of this profile is private and confidential information. The violation of privacy can be punished by law (UCC 1-308- 1 1 308-103 and the Rome Statute). NOTE: Facebook is now a public entity. All members must post a note like this. If you prefer, you can copy and paste this version. If you do not publish a statement at least once it will be tactically allowing the use of your photos, as well as the information contained in the profile status updates.

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FALSE

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or my future. By this statement, I give notice to Facebook it is

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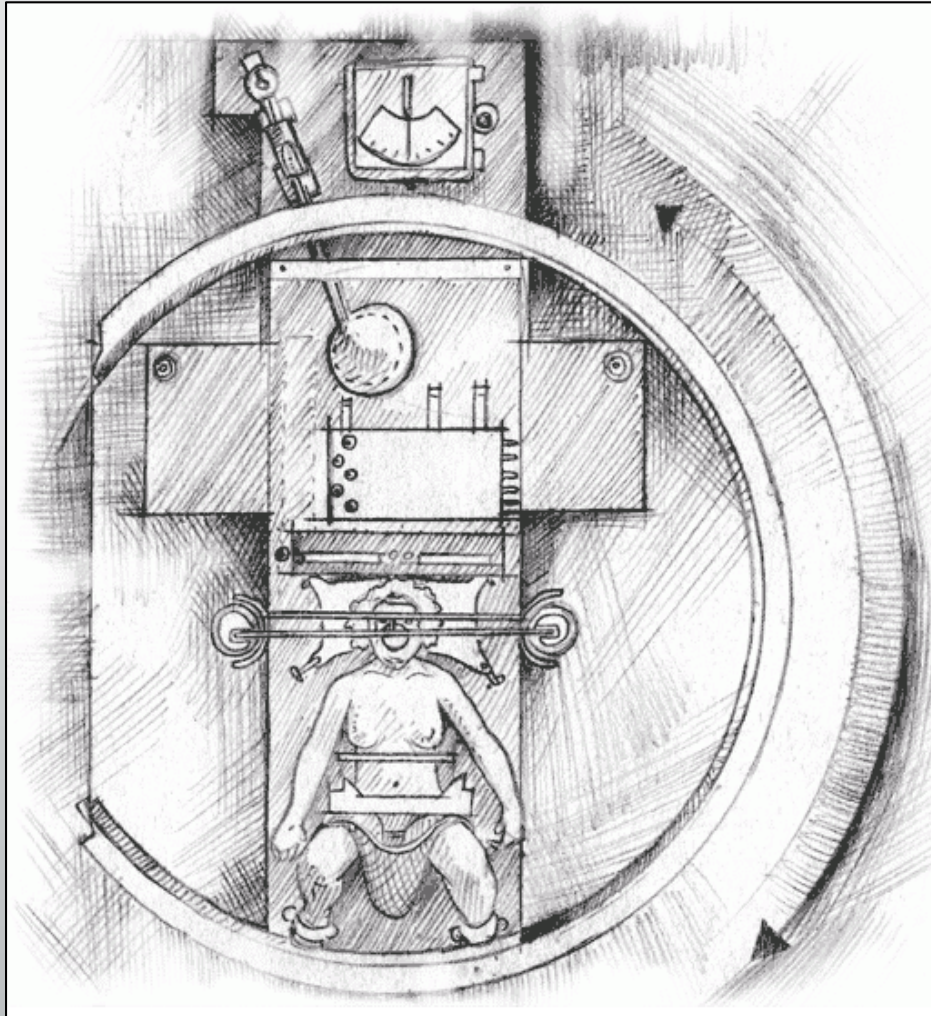
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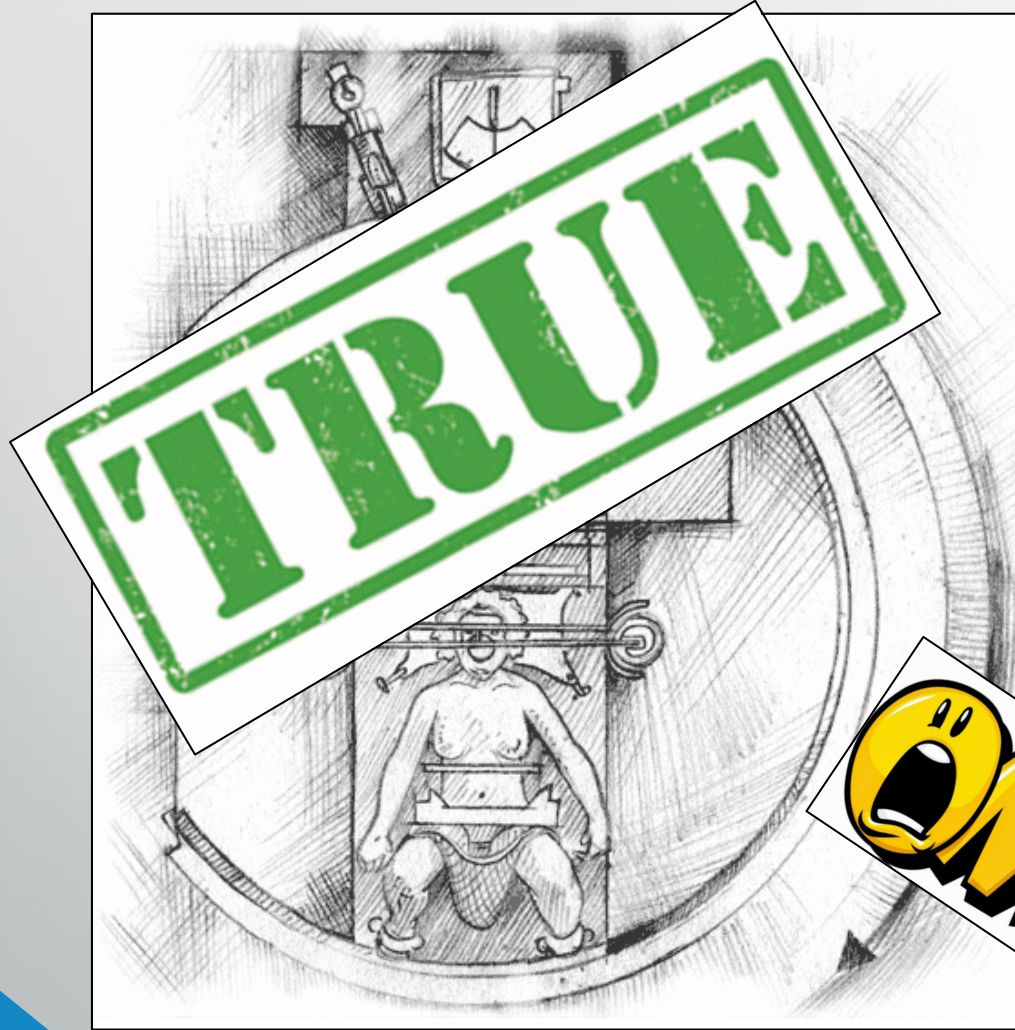
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<https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/centrifugal-birthing-apparatus/>

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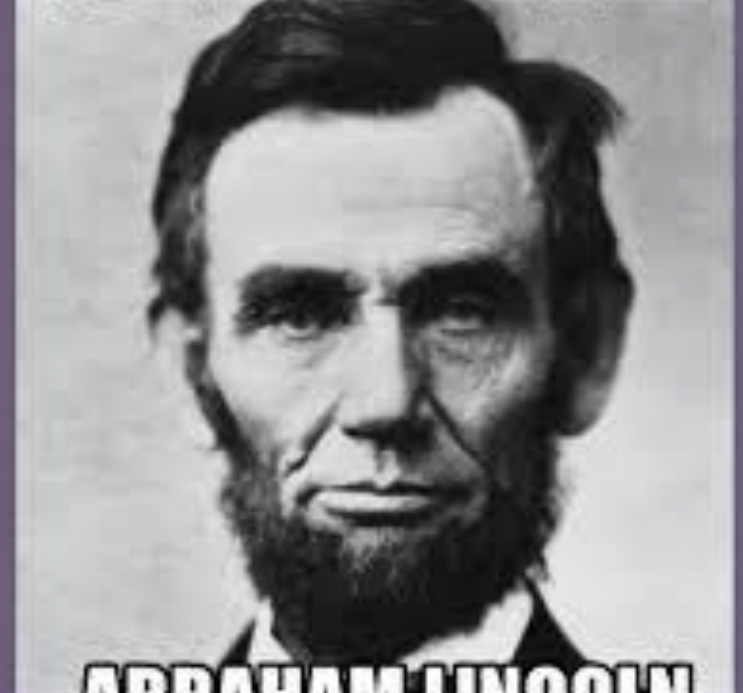


I cannot tell a lie. I cut down the
cherry tree.

~ George Washington

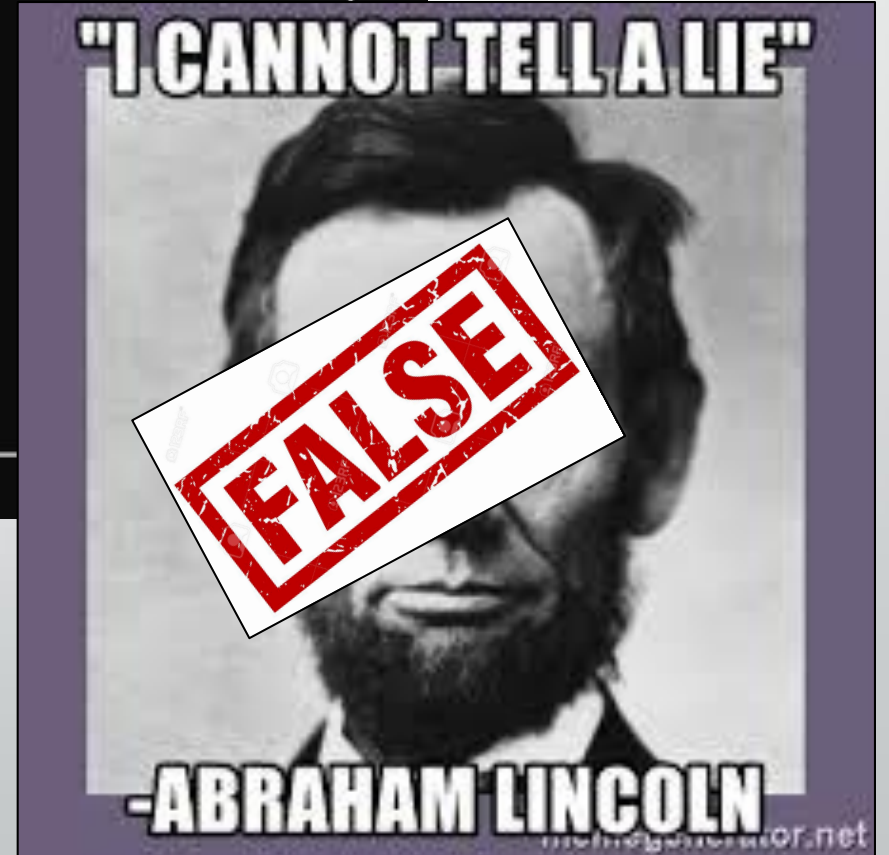
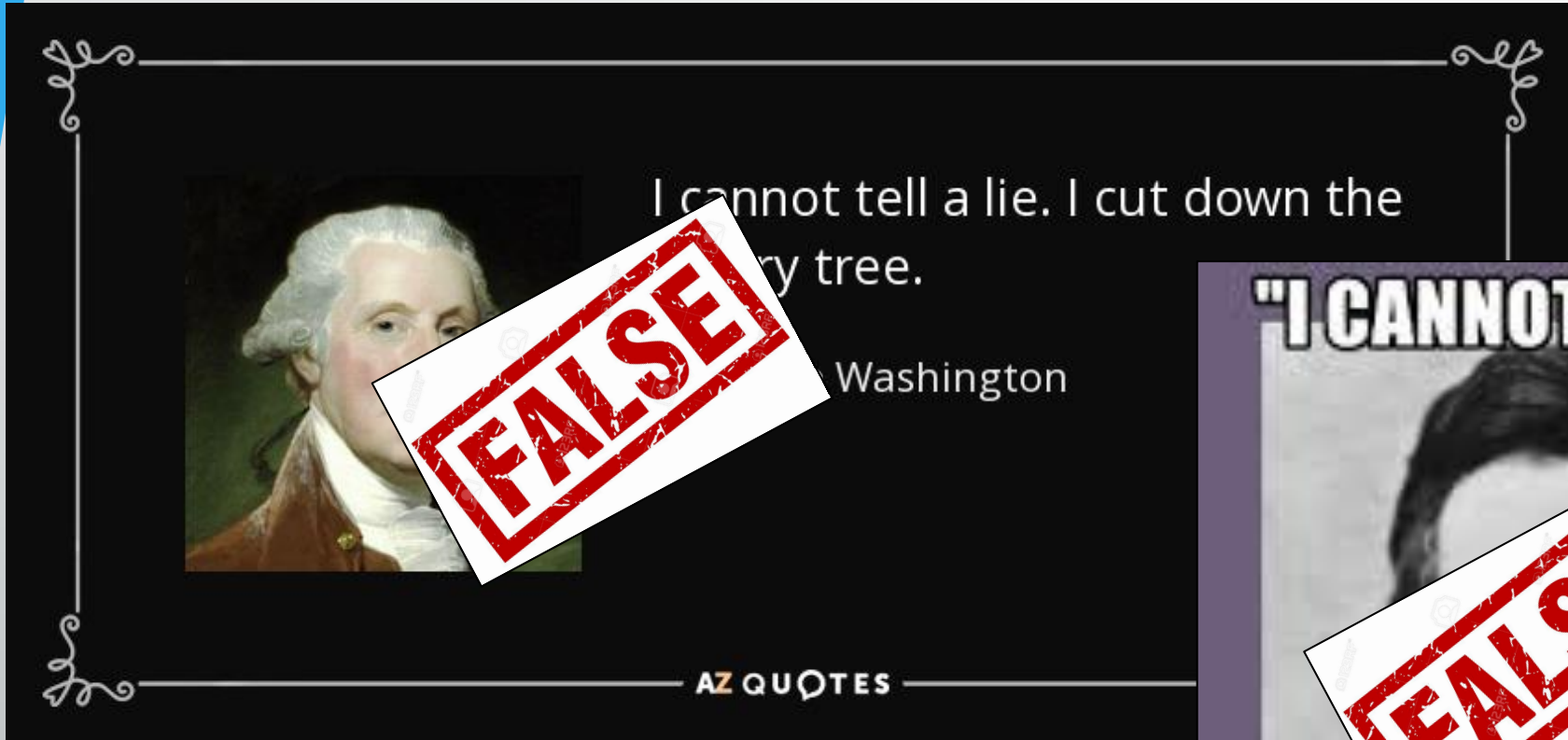
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-ABRAHAM LINCOLN

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IF YOU NEED TO CALL
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BECAUSE OF SOMEONE
IN THE ROOM

dial and ask for a pepperoni pizza. They will ask if you know you're calling 911. Say yes, and continue pretending you're making an order. They'll ask if there's someone in the room. You can ask how long it will take for the pizza to get to you, and they will tell you how far away a patrol unit is. Share this to save a life!!! Dispatchers are trained to ask specific yes or no questions..dont hang up!

"I would like to order a pizza at [address]," she said.
"You called 911 to order a pizza?" the dispatcher asked.

"Uh, yeah. Apartment [number]," she replied.

"This is the wrong number to call for a pizza," the dispatcher said.

"No no no no no no no, you're not understanding," the caller said.

"I'm getting you now," the dispatcher replies.
The dispatcher then asks a series of yes-no questions. Moments later, police arrived and arrested the suspect.

But there's no universal code language to let dispatchers know you're in trouble, said April Heinze, 911 operations director for the National Emergency Number Association (NENA).

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HOW TRUSTWORTHY ARE YOU?

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even if no one believes it.
A lie is a lie, even if
everyone believes it.





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JUST DO SOME RESEARCH FIRST
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BEFORE CHECKING THEIR ACCURACY.

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~ Soren Kierkegaard

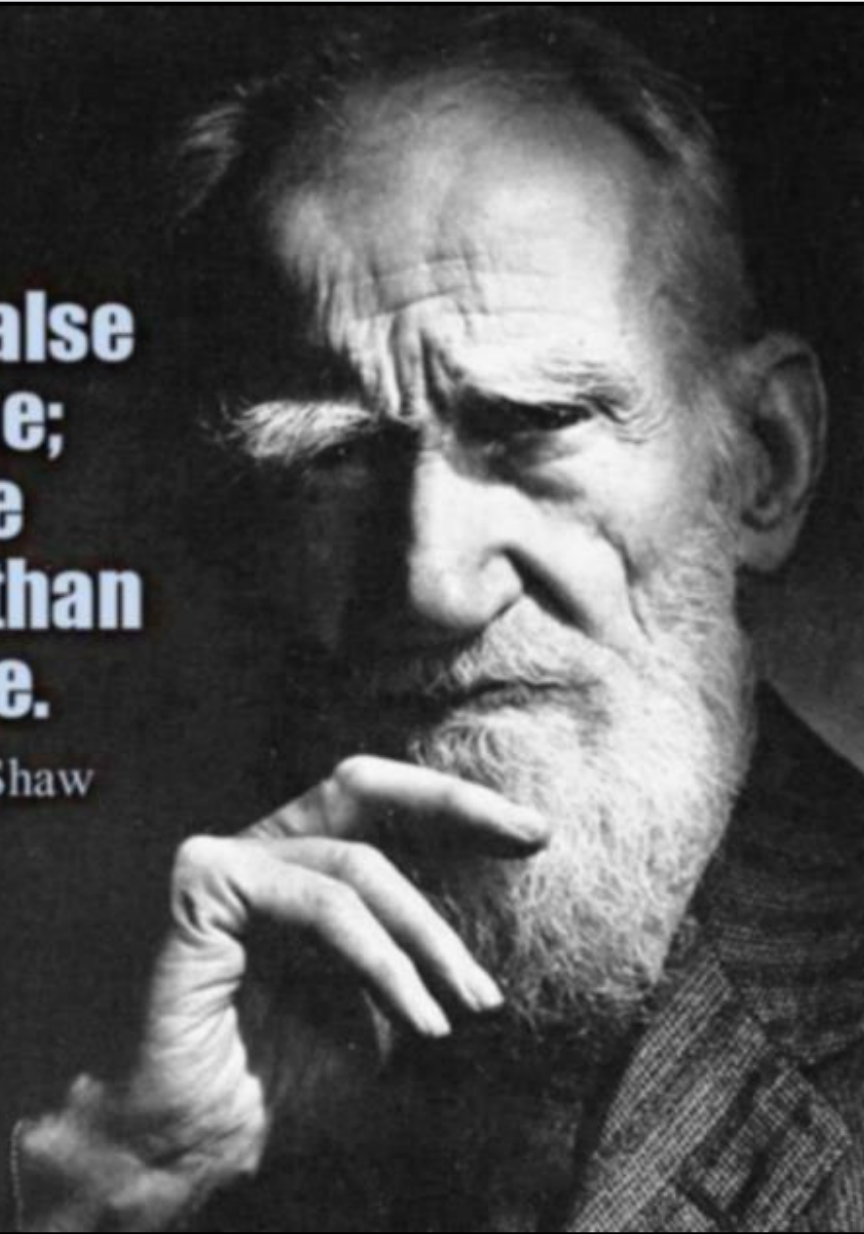
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