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# Tips for detecting fake news

- 01** The news triggers an emotional reaction. It makes you angry or curious whether it turns out to be true or false.
- 02** The information is designed for easy sharing (a meme)
- 03** The news is not quoting official and expert sources. One should always check the source.
- 04** Assess the design of the news/article/website. They often look amateurish, use stolen images and have grammar errors
- 05** One should develop a critical mindset; ask yourself: why has the news been written? to promote a certain opinion/viewpoint? to convince me to click on another website?

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- 01** See if the news includes enough data and evidence.
- 02** Do not trust any image you see.
- 03** Check the "about us" and "contact us" section of the website. It should provide enough background on the website and real contacts.
- 04** Pay attention to spelling, grammar and punctuation. Often news with a poor grammar are unreliable.
- 05** Fake news often use excessive punctuation, all caps to trigger your attention