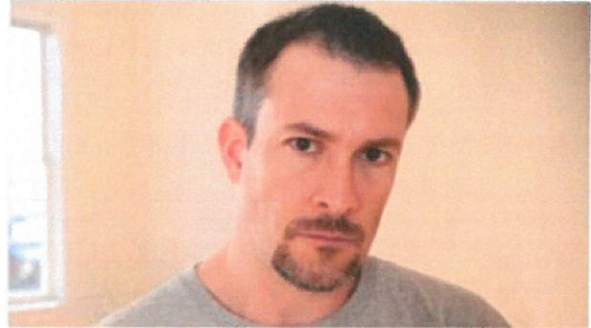




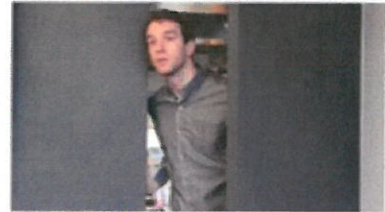
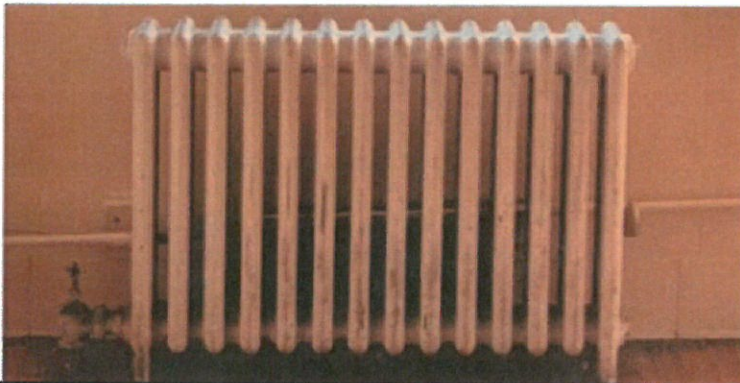
Fake news is not new.

'Nothing Would Surprise Me At This Point,' Says Man Who Will Be Shocked By 8 Separate News Items Today

PROVIDENCE, RI—Just over a week into the administration of President Donald Trump, local man Alex Seidman, a 36-year-old who will be shocked eight separate times by today's news, told reporters Monday that at this point, nothing would surprise him.



Radiator Saving Single Loudest Clank For 3:32 A.M.



'Is It Too Late To Audition?' Asks Perfect Actor For Role, Poking Head Into Room Just As Producers Were Giving Up Hope

LOS ANGELES—Stopping producers in their tracks after an exhausting, fruitless day of screening candidates for their film's lead, local actor Christopher Ryan, the

Satirical news is not new. It is entertaining and understood that it is meant to be funny and fake.



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Well Done Mr. President!



TRUMP is Sick and Tired of Liberals Attacking “Christmas” So He Did This

“Merry Christmas” is less and less used in our country by leftists and liberals who think that we should change it to “happy holiday” so to no offend Muslims and...

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New: Digital arena in which we find “Fake News.” Journalism is competing with all the new journalism that is digital. But now, journalism is also competing with people who are presenting just flat out lies or made up stories which are more in line with propaganda or disinformation campaign. This is an example of a Fake News story that was shared on Facebook.

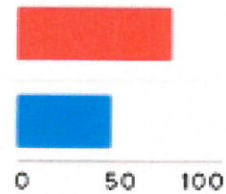
Fake Headline Perceptions of Accuracy Among Clinton / Trump Voters

PERCENTAGE OF RESPONDENTS WHO THOUGHT THE HEADLINE WAS ACCURATE

Pope Francis Shocks World, Endorses Donald Trump for President, Releases Statement

75% of Trump voters
(127 RESPONDENTS)

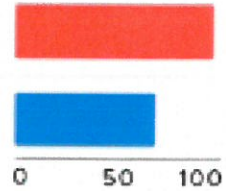
46% of Clinton voters
(100 RESPONDENTS)



Donald Trump Sent His Own Plane to Transport 200 Stranded Marines

96% of Trump voters
(132 RESPONDENTS)

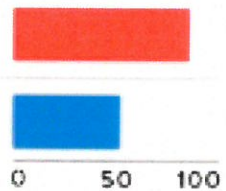
68% of Clinton voters
(56 RESPONDENTS)



FBI Agent Suspected in Hillary Email Leaks Found Dead in Apparent Murder-Suicide

85% of Trump voters
(165 RESPONDENTS)

52% of Clinton voters
(106 RESPONDENTS)



Study found that regardless of political view there was a large number of people on both sides that believed some accuracy of the headlines.

Why is there so much Fake News?

Key question

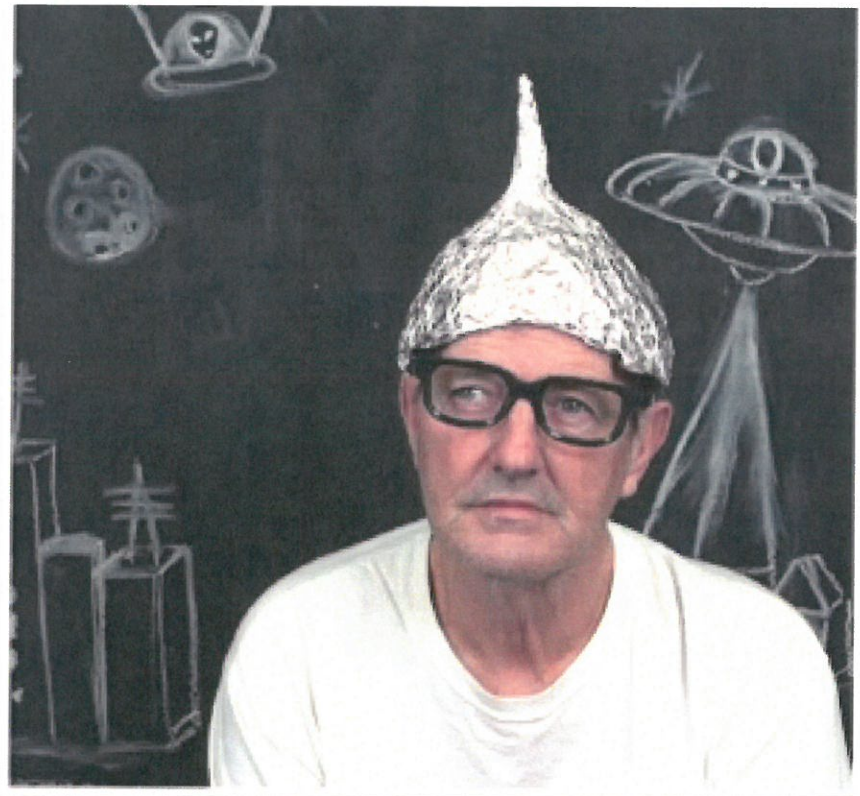
- Cheaper to produce
- Easier to monetize
- Easier to disseminate

- Uneven performance of "real" journalism
- Decreasing trust in journalism
- Political polarization

How can real news—on an eroding resource base—cover highly partisan politics, reach more people, and connect societies that seem more and more polarized in terms of both social values and relative affluence?

What can news literacy do?

People with greater news literacy—who knew more about news media structures, routines, and effects—were **less likely to endorse conspiracy theories.**



post-truth

adj. Relating to or denoting circumstances in which objective facts are less influential in shaping public opinion than appeals to emotion and personal belief:

'in this era of post-truth politics, it's easy to cherry-pick data and come to whatever conclusion you desire'

'some commentators have observed that we are living in a post-truth age'

People tend to believe things when there is more of an emotional appeal.

tru•thi•ness \ˈtriɪ-the-n̩ s\ n
1: truth that comes from the gut, not books (*Stephen Colbert, Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report," October 2005*).

2: the quality of preferring concepts or facts one wishes to be true, rather than concepts or facts known to be true (*American Dialect Society, January 2006*).



mis·in·for·ma·tion

/ˌmɪsɪnfərˈmɑːʃ(ə)n/

noun

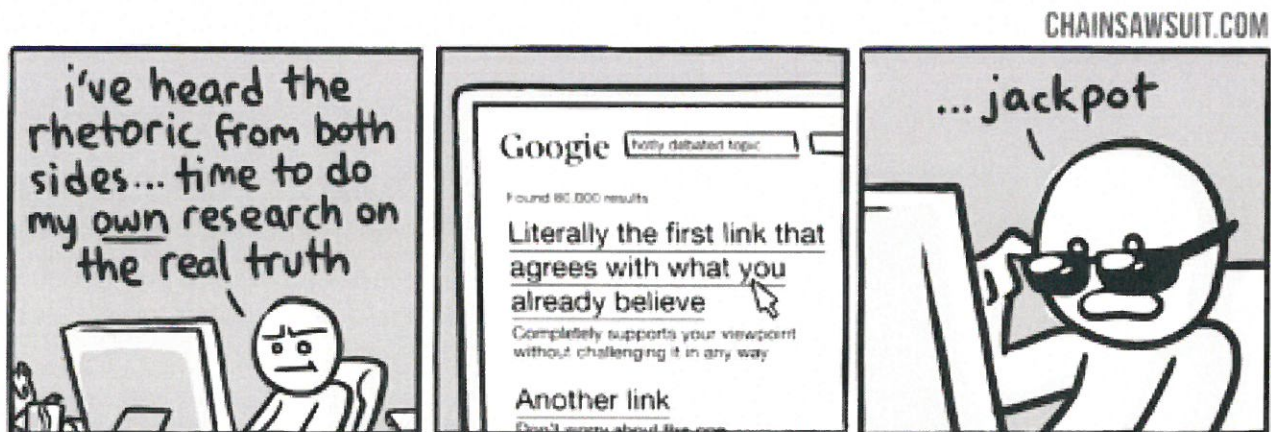
false or inaccurate information, especially that which is deliberately intended to deceive.
"nuclear matters are often entangled in a web of secrecy and misinformation"

VS.

noun. [mass noun] False information which is intended to mislead, especially propaganda issued by a government organization to a rival power or the media: ...
'Now that the curtain has fallen, information as well as **disinformation** travels in both directions.'

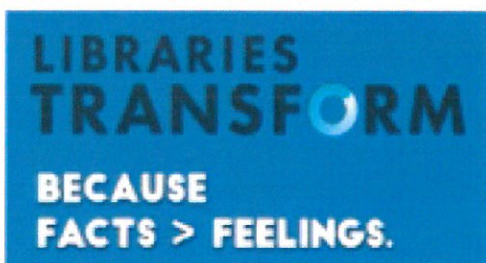
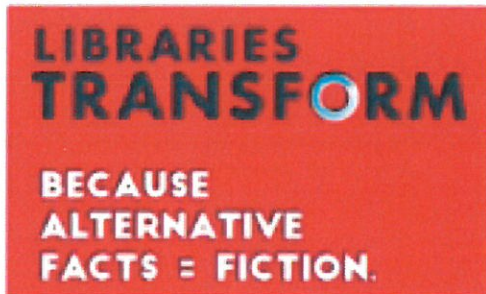
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You will only see news from your ecobubble. You see the news of the people you are friends with who may be very like-minded and not see opposing viewpoints.

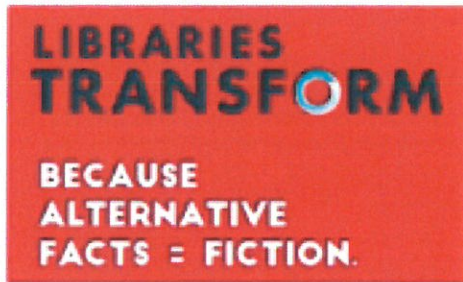
Moving Past Fake News



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- Triangulate
- Check your own biases
- Read outside your bubble
- Know the difference between satire, propaganda, infotainment, opinion, and dog-whistling
- Check Snopes, Politifacts, FactCheck.org, Know-Your-Meme and other fact checking sources

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- Click on the headline
 - Check the source
 - What’s their angle?
 - Is there an “about” page?
 - Is the language inflammatory?
 - Is the site overrun with ads?
 - Is there an author? Do you know them?
 - Are there supporting sources?
 - Check the date
 - Are there citations?