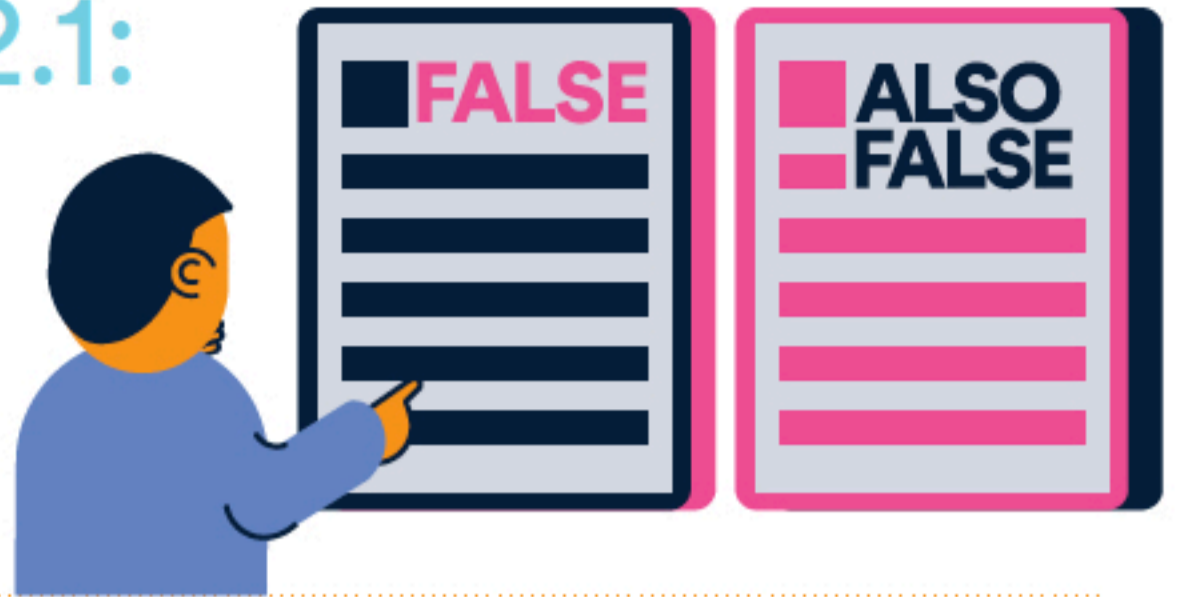


Worksheet 2.1:

What is False Information?



1. Explain what is meant by the term 'false information'?

2. Where can 'false information' come from?

3. Identify three reasons why you think people share false information?

4. List three ways you can check if something you encounter online is false?

5. What impact do you think false information can have on people?

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6. Match the types of false information with the correct description:

Definitions of false information

1. Information written, produced or presented in a way might be factually correct but suggests or infers a particular meaning or view that is not necessarily impartial or balanced.
2. Sometimes reporters or journalists may publish a story without checking all of the facts which can mislead audiences.
3. Refers to the headlines used in articles and video titles you see on the internet. These headlines are designed to get you, the reader, to click on the link and visit the website or watch or subscribe to the video channel. The headline may not reflect the contents of the article.
4. Stories that are created to deliberately mislead audiences, promote a biased point of view or particular political cause or agenda.
5. Lots of websites and social media accounts publish false news stories for entertainment and parody. For example; The Onion, Waterford Whispers, The Daily Mash, etc.

Types of false information

A. Clickbait

B. Propaganda

C. Satire

D. Sloppy journalism

E. Biased/
slanted news

Match the numbers to the letters below:

A =

B =

C =

D =

E =