Fake News...What do You Know?

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2. Name two reasons that people create fake news?

3. Name three things that would make you suspicious about news being fake.

4. Name two or more ways that you can check if a story is real or not.

5. Name two ways that gossip is similar to fake news.

6. How is satire different from fake news?

7. What is propaganda?

8. Can you believe photos? Why?
Answers

1. Name three news producers you could trust.
   Any three from (or others): BBC, Newsround, ITV, Channel 4, CNN, BuzzFeed, Broadsheet newspapers, University or school websites, your teacher. (All these apart from on April Fools’ Day!)

2. Name two reasons that people create fake news?
   Any two from: making money, making people vote a certain way, just for fun, making people look at adverts.

3. Name three things that would make you suspicious about news being fake.
   Any three from: too shocking/amazing to be true, it's from a political party about the opposing side, it's not from a trusted site, it's not on the TV news.

4. Name two or more ways that you can check if a story is real or not.
   Any two from: ask a trusted adult, check on trusted news sites, TV news or broadsheets.

5. Name two ways that gossip is similar to fake news.
   Any two from: It’s not all totally true, many people are involved, there is a ‘victim’.

6. How is satire different from fake news?
   Satire/funny fake news is not trying to be real, it is funny and usually harmless.

7. What is propaganda?
   Putting out information that puts one side of an argument or political party in a bad light.

8. Can you believe photos? Why?
   No – photoshopping is so clever nowadays. See for example models in magazines.