Fake News:

What is fake news? It’s a term mentioned a lot lately, but what does it really mean?

Fake news is the term used to describe news articles that intentionally spread misinformation. Fake news can be used to tarnish someone’s reputation or alter the public’s opinion on a subject, for example. It often happens when opinion is presented as fact, with nothing to back up the statement. Fake news is often used as propaganda, and can be very convincingly mixed in with factual news, so it’s hard to tell the difference. Social media has made spreading fake news easier than ever, so think twice before hitting post/like/share and get a second or third source. Not everything online is false, while not everything in print is accurate, either. To learn more about fake news and how to determine if something is fact or fiction, check out on of the following books found on display in the non-fiction section:

