

Easy Tips to

Be an Educated Media Consumer

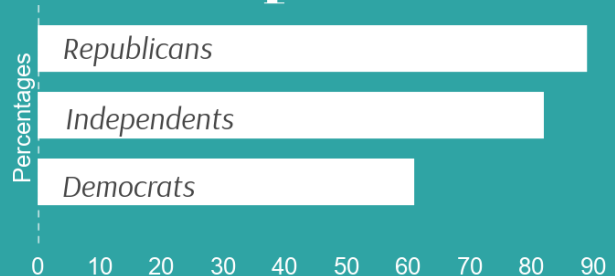
In the age of Fake News

Understand the Political Climate

It's no secret that misrepresentation and manipulation of news has always existed, both in politics and in the entertainment world.

However, according to a 2017 study by Monmouth University, the belief that major media outlets disseminate fake news has increased among every partisan group since 2016.

Who thinks fake news is a problem?



How to Spot Fake News

Well, what is it?

Fake news is fabricated or false information published under the guise of being genuine, reliable news.



Consider The Source

Is this a biased outlet? Have they been known to publish falsehood in the past?



Crosscheck Other Outlets

Reading or watching various takes on the news will help you weed out falsity. Have you exposed yourself to multiple perspectives on the topic?



Search the Author

Satirical authors look to get a rise out of the public by appearing as true news. Does your author actually exist? Is he or she credible?



Look at the Date & Time

Stories are often reprinted or recirculated long after their original publication. Is what you're reading or watching up to date?

42%

OF FAKE NEWS

is generated through social media

Be intentional about the information you consume and spread.

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