

# Facebook and Fake News

Consider each of the below proposals, and fill in each of the below TODOs.

## Proposals

### Proposal 1

Facebook relies on an algorithm as well as individual users' reports to identify content that is potentially "fake news." Once the content has been identified, it is sent to third-party fact-checkers for verification. If the content is verified as fake news, it is publicly flagged with a warning that the content is disputed by fact-checkers.



### Proposal 2

However, a designer at Facebook believes that there needs to be a different approach to content regulation. Their proposal is that content deemed problematic by third-party fact-checkers should be prevented from being shared on the platform altogether.

# Questions

1. Which form of content regulation, Proposal 1 or Proposal 2, do you feel is better? Why?
  - a. I think proposal 2 is better because it prevents the spread of fake news.
2. Which form of content regulation, Proposal 1 or Proposal 2, do you think best preserves or promotes the [five rights and opportunities necessary for a democratic public sphere](#)?
  - a. Which proposal best preserves or promotes Rights? Why?
    - i. Proposal 1. Because no one is being censored during this process.
  - b. Which proposal best preserves or promotes Opportunity for Expression? Why?
    - i. I think both proposals preserve Opportunity for Expression.
  - c. Which proposal best preserves or promotes Access? Why?
    - i. Proposal 2 is the best one, it provides reliable information for the public.
  - d. Which proposal best preserves or promotes Diversity? Why?
    - i. Proposal 1. Because it makes more chances for people to read other views and aspects, event thy are fake or wrong!
  - e. Which proposal best preserves or promotes Communicative Power? Why?
    - i. Proposal 1. Because it makes more chances for people to communicate with others. No one could prevent them to contact each other.