FACT CHECKING: A HOW TO GUIDE

WHAT IS FACT-CHECKING?

Fact-checking is when you look into something in more detail, to see if it's true. To help you do this, answer these questions about what you are reading...

WHAT IS THE SOURCE?

Look at the site, not just the article. Once you finish the article, go and look at other articles on the website and see what else they have written. Who owns it? What is its mission?

WHO WROTE IT?

Find out who the author is. What else have they written? What is their reputation? Do they have a hidden agenda?
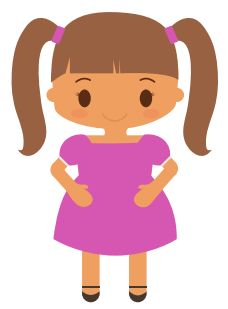
IS IT BIASED?

If an article is biased, it only tells one side of the story, it often uses emotional or inflammatory language, and it is actively trying to make you form a certain opinion

AM I BIASED?

Sometimes we read things that confirm what we already believe and so don't question anything in the article. Always consider whether you WANT to believe the article is true.

IS IT AUTHENTIC?

It can be hard to know if a picture is real. You can use reverse Google Image Search to find out the original source before you share it on social media

STOP THE SPREAD OF #misinformation AND #disinformation