



News Literacy in the Digital Media Age

An SLC Webinar presented by Michelle Luhtala and Jacquelyn Whiting on October 11, 2018

NEWS LITERACY RESOURCES DISCUSSED IN THE WEBINAR

- ***News Literacy: The Keys to Combating Fake News***
by Michelle Luhtala and Jacquelyn Whiting
Libraries Unlimited, 2018
Available for purchase at:
<https://www.abc-clio.com/ABC-CLIOCorporate/product.aspx?pc=A5652P>
- **Sample lesson plans** from *News Literacy: The Keys to Combating Fake News* available on SLC:
 - **What is My Bias?** Includes activity on understanding your bias practiced in the webinar:
<https://schoollibraryconnection.com/Home/Display/2174095?topicCenterId=2158552&tab=4>
 - **How Can Two Writers Reach Such Different Conclusions?**
<https://schoollibraryconnection.com/Home/Display/2174098?topicCenterId=2158552&tab=4>
 - **Unpacking a Visual Text: Paintings**
<https://schoollibraryconnection.com/Home/Display/2174099?topicCenterId=2158552&tab=4>
- **Stanford History Education Group** study “Evaluating Information: The Cornerstone of Civic Online Reasoning. Available at <https://purl.stanford.edu/fv751yt5934>.
 - You can use the exercises with your own students to see how they compare to the study’s results
 - EdWeek article, “Why Students Can’t Google Their Way to the Truth,” available at <https://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2016/11/02/why-students-cant-google-their-way-to.html>
 - SHEG website: <https://sheg.stanford.edu/>

- **Pew Research Center: Journalism & Media studies**
 - “New Use Across Social Media Platforms”
<http://www.journalism.org/2017/09/07/news-use-across-social-media-platforms-2017/>
 - “Teens, Social Media & Technology 2018”
<http://www.pewinternet.org/2018/05/31/teens-social-media-technology-2018/>

- **AllSides** <https://www.allsides.com/unbiased-balanced-news>

- **Information Verification Websites:**
 - **First Draft** <https://firstdraftnews.org/>
 - **FactCheck.org** <https://www.factcheck.org/>
 - **Snopes** <https://www.snopes.com/>
 - **PolitiFact** <https://www.politifact.com/>
 - **Hoax-Slayer** <https://www.hoax-slayer.net/>

- **NPR article** on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier during Hurricane Sandy
<https://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2012/10/29/163875922/photo-despite-sandy-soldiers-stand-guard-at-tomb-of-the-unknown-soldier>

- **More resources** recommended by webinar attendees:
 - **Episode of NPR's Fresh Air** on "The 'Weaponization' Of Social Media – And Its Real-World Consequences.” <https://www.npr.org/2018/10/09/655824435/the-weaponization-of-social-media-and-its-real-world-consequences>
 - ***Algorithms of Oppression: How Search Engines Reinforce Racism*** by Safiya Umoja Noble, available at https://www.amazon.com/Algorithms-Oppression-Search-Engines-Reinforce/dp/1479837245/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1539290314&sr=8-1&keywords=algorithms+of+oppression
 - ***Weapons of Math Destruction: How Big Data Increases Inequality and Threatens Democracy*** by Cathy O’Neil, available at https://www.amazon.com/Weapons-Math-Destruction-Increases-Inequality/dp/0553418831/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1539290568&sr=8-1&keywords=weapons+of+math+destruction
 - **Bronx Documentary Center Altered Images** <http://www.alteredimagesbdc.org/about/>
 - **Newseum** <http://www.newseum.org/>



○ **Picture Books:**

- ***The Nantucket Sea Monster: A Fake News Story*** by Darcy Pattison, illustrated by Peter Willis, available at <https://www.amazon.com/Nantucket-Sea-Monster-Fake-Story/dp/1629440833>
- ***Fairy Spell: How Two Girls Convinced the World That Fairies Are Real*** by Marc Tyler Nobleman, illustrated by Eliza Wheeler, available at <https://www.amazon.com/Fairy-Spell-Girls-Convinced-Fairies/dp/0544699483>

○ **Intentional Hoaxes:**

- **The Pacific Northwest Tree Octopus** <https://zapatopi.net/treeoctopus/>
- **Dihydrogen Monoxide Research Division** <http://dhmo.org/>
- **Dog Island** www.thedogisland.com
 - **Bunny Island, Fox Village, Cat Island: A Look Into Japan's Paradises for Animal Lovers** <https://abcnews.go.com/Lifestyle/bunny-island-fox-village-cat-island-japans-paradises/story?id=28830838>
- **All About Explorers** <https://www.allaboutexplorers.com/>
- **Article:** "The Viral Story About A Competitive Barefoot Runner Demanding People Sweep Up Acorns Is A Hoax"
<https://www.buzzfeednews.com/article/craigsilverman/competitive-barefoot-runner-acorns-eric-curtis-hoax>
- **Article:** "Here's What Critics Say About That Big New Hoax On Gender Studies"
<https://www.buzzfeednews.com/article/virginiahughes/grievance-studies-sokal-hoax>

