Fake News

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Project

Introduction

Imagine a world in which we can no longer trust or believe news reports of global conflict, social uprisings, police misconduct or natural disasters. Imagine a world in which we can no longer believe what our world leaders say in public - or private. Imagine a world in which we simply cannot separate fact from fiction. In this world, how will we function as a democracy, economy or society?

We are rapidly heading towards a dystopian digital future, in which self-organising online communities will be able to create and disseminate their own world of pseudo-facts and pseudo-reality.

Project Outline

Look at the five social media posts.

- What is your reaction to them?
- What is their purpose?
- What is the most extreme effect they could have?
- Take one each and research it. One of the posts is true, which one?

Your brief is to create a poster campaign to encourage people of your age group to fact check news stories before sharing/re-posting them.

This should also highlight and explain the 5 key types of fake news that are used in media today.

A fake Barak Obama.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AmUC4m6w1wo