

Gale Scavenger Hunt

Opposing Viewpoints In Context: Fake News on Social Media

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What online message board was the fake news posted on? Who was the perpetrator and what did he do? What is mainstream media referring to the event as?

Answers: Reddit, Edgar Madison Welch fired shots at a pizza restaurant in Washington DC, referred to as 'Pizzagate'

Source: "Fake News on Social Media." *Opposing Viewpoints Online Collection*, 2017
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Why should you read beyond the story headline? What should you check the source for?

Answers: Headlines are sensationalized and won't reveal the whole story. Answers may vary: about page and examine site's purpose, author, credibility, reputability, bias, dates/time period of events, mission of the site, contact an authority, or fact-checking website.

Source: "Guidelines for Recognizing Fake News Online." Gale *Opposing Viewpoints in Context*.
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According to the researchers, who has a greater influence on the reader—the sharer or the news organization?

Answers: The sharer has a greater influence

Source: "Facebook firends may sway trust in the news." *USA Today*, March 23, 2017.
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What did Tim learn about posting a simple funny picture to his social media account?

Answers: He is going to choose more wisely what he distributes on the internet. He doesn't think the photo is funny now after becoming a meme.

Source: "Memes and Viral Content." *Opposing Viewpoints Online Collection*, 2017
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Explore the **Magazine** content for a recent article on Fake News. What is one new interesting fact you discovered?

Answers: Will vary

Source: Publications will vary.
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