

Year 5 Question It: Lesson 3

Inaccurate Information



Background:

Inaccurate information is all around us - offline and online. It is important that children know how to check information they see online rather than fearing and distrusting everything they read. If children understand why people might spread misinformation and the impact it has, it can help them be more discerning consumers of digital information. Children can also be taught to use their common sense, check the source of the information, recognise opinions and check 'facts' on other, reputable websites or other reliable sources.

Key Concepts	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Information online can contain opinions and false information.2. People share misinformation for many different reasons.3. There are things we can do to check the validity of information we see, hear and read online.
Badge Descriptors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I understand how information can be manipulated.• I understand the importance of questioning things we see, hear and read online.• I can identify opinions, facts and fake information in digital content.

Glossary

fake news	False stories that are presented as news stories online, usually meant to entertain or to sway people's opinions.
misinformation	Inaccurate or wrong information. This is often spread or shared online.