



Be safe online: LEVEL 2

The online world is a very busy place. Not everything you see and hear online will be true. You need to learn how to work out whether information is true and reliable.

TASK 1: Circle all the statements that give signs of an unreliable website.

The author/organisation is well-known and considered to be reputable.

The URL or web address looks unusual.

They use high-quality images only.

There are popup adverts saying that you've won prizes.

The images are heavily edited and unrealistic.

The author is unknown.

The views of the author seem extreme and are not backed up with any evidence.

There are no popup adverts.

The URL is familiar and doesn't look strange.

There are popup adverts requesting your personal information.

There is reliable scientific evidence in the bibliography.

The same news story appears in lots of different websites.

The website was recommended by a teacher.

TASK 2: Create your own 'fake news' story and 'true' story. Remember to include a URL, a headline, a short explanation and an image.

TASK 3: Describe how you can spot a reliable and unreliable website. Use the two examples you created to help you explain the differences.

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