**“News” is all about Trust**

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Some people get their “news” from John Stewart, Jimmy Kimmel, & Steven Colbert.

Some people only listen to CNN or Fox News or NPR or Drudge Report. There is only one absolute truth in all of this! If you’re only going to go to one place for all your news, keep your radio tuned to AM760, WJR, The Great Voice of the Great Lakes! Or another member of the Michigan Talk Radio Network.

2013 story when it went viral that the Pentagon was blocking the Southern Baptist Convention’s website because it was “hostile”. It went viral. It was picked up by major Christian & conservative news sites. But, what had happened was that the website had been infected with malware, and the Pentagon firewalls identified the problem, which resulted in the firewall automatically flagging the website as “hostile”.

**Fake News is Nothing New**

Some people get their news from the Enquirer and the Daily Star. But those tabloids revealed some true political scandals. (John Edwards & Tony Weiner)

**How to be on the alert!!!**

**The Source Is Known to Be Shady**

Be wary of stories linked to sites ending in “.ru” or “.co” or other unfamiliar domain names

**Pop-Ups or LOTS of Ads** Great indicator of malware!!!

**Stories Are Repetitive or Have Common Theme**

**Other Known News Sites Don’t Have Any Reference to It**

**Articles Featuring an Impending Disaster or Cures**

**Carries a Disclaimer (or Has a “Sponsor”)**

political action groups, People for the Legalization of Marijuana, People for Making Marijuana Illegal

**Articles Use Emotionally Descriptive Words**

Incompetent, Lying, Racist, Proven, Shrill

**Advice: Read in Context or with a Skeptical Eye**

I very commonly read a couple of fake news sites, but I do so knowingly. I know how to filter & read past

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**Advice: Recognize that We All Have Confirmatory Bias**

We tend to search for, read, and recall information that confirms our view of the world.

And that makes us all susceptible